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Centennial of Flight

It's two days of high-flying fun at Diamondhead as locals celebrate 100 years since the first flight.

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The 20th annual Diamondhead Creative Arts & Crafts Show.

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Celebrate the Blues with Welcome Center

The Hancock County I-10 Welcome Center will host blues musician Melvin Stacks on Friday, 10 a.m.-noon, as part of the statewide Year of the Blues Celebration. Musician Ray Nobles will perform beginning at noon.

Group meets to fight annexation plans

There will be a meeting this Saturday at 6 p.m. at the Hancock Civic Center to oppose annexation by the cities of Bay St. Louis and Waveland. For more information, contact Johanna Spicuzza at 466-6466.

American Legion to host fish fry Saturday

\$5 - Dine in or Take out on Saturday, September 20th from 6-8 p.m. at the American Legion Clubhouse 139, Green Meadow Road, Bay St. Louis.

After more than a week of searching, area officials find missing teen in creek

TRAGEDY AT LEETOWN



Authorities on Tuesday pulled Marrina K. Ladner's crashed vehicle from Catahoula Creek.



Investigator John Luther on Wednesday recreates what may have happened when Marrina Kaye Ladner crashed her automobile into Catahoula Creek on Caesar-Necaise Rd. near Leetown

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Marrina K. Ladner

Investigator thinks crash, death were accidental, not foul play

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

Publisher Emeritus

An all-out search by five law enforcement agencies ended Tuesday afternoon with the recovery of the body of 18-year-old Marrina Kaye Ladner inside her submerged auto in the Catahoula Creek on the Caesar-Necaise Road near the Leetown Community, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

Law enforcement officers were very sad in learning the reality that Ladner had perished in a one-vehicle accident.

"For the past ten days, seven investigators from the Hancock County Sheriff's office, officers from Pearl River County Sheriff's Department, Poplarville Police Department,

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Bay adopts smaller budget

Scaled-down version of FY 2004 city plan still calls for tax increase

BY MARY G. SEILEY
Staff Writer
AND GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Bay St. Louis residents will still pay higher property taxes next year, but not nearly as high as originally planned.

The Bay St. Louis City Council on Monday adopted Mayor Eddie Favre's new scaled-down municipal budget proposal.

Favre had originally outlined a \$10.9 million budget for the city general fund - about \$700,000 more than this year's spending level - which would have nearly doubled the city's taxes from 10.5 mills to 20 mills.

That plan met with something less than enthusiastic support from several very vocal citizens. As a result,

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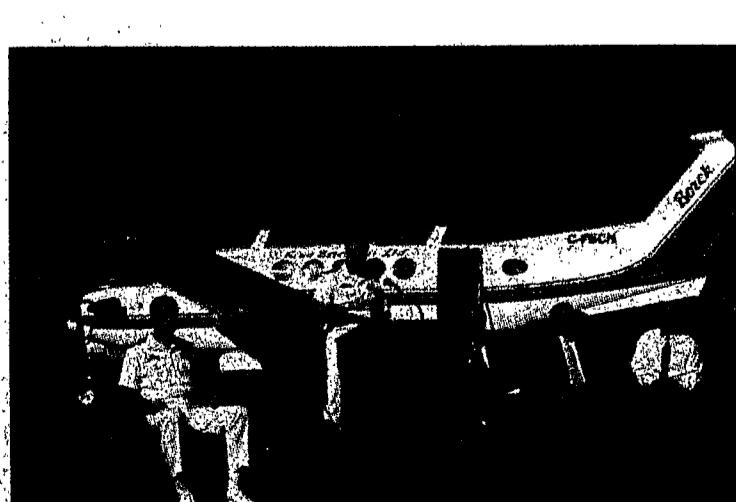
Waveland OKs \$12.6M budget

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Waveland Alderman approved a \$12,657,519 budget for the 2003/2004 fiscal year on Monday night, down about \$2 million from last year's expenditures. The budget will allow city millage to remain the same at 22.625 mills.

One extra mill will be funneled into the general fund from the debt service bringing that fund's millage

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RDML Thomas Donaldson, at podium, Capt. Phillip Renaud, NAVO, to his left, Bob Pope to the right of the podium, Corps representative Jeff Lillycrop next on right, and Dr. Grady Tuell of Optech, far right, participated in the unveiling of a new generation of airborne LIDAR survey sensors at Stennis International Airport on Wednesday.

Mapping technology unveiled at Stennis

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Stennis International Airport was the scene of a landmark event on Wednesday, both for the future of topographic mapping and charting and for Hancock County.

The new sensors, the

Compact Hydrographic Airborne Rapid Total Survey or CHARTS system, developed for Naval Oceanographic Office, NAVOCEANO, by Optech in Toronto, Canada, were on display in an aircraft at the airport.

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Annual Arts & Creative Craft Show scheduled Sept. 20-21 in Diamondhead

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The Twentieth Anniversary Arts and Creative Crafts Show at Diamondhead will be held on Saturday, Sept. 20, from 9:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 21, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

When visitors arrive they will experience a well organized and pleasant event centered around the show's 165 craft booths.

What most will not realize is that the success of the show depends largely upon the organizational skills of two women, 20-year volunteers chairwoman Brierley Acker and co-chairwoman Linda Wallace. The two work all year to make the event a success.

The show began in 1983 at a meeting of the Diamondhead Parents Association, a very small group of perhaps no more than ten families, said Wallace. At that time Diamondhead was primarily touted as a retirement community. Parents wanted a way to raise money for playground equipment.

That first year the show began with just a few booths around the circle in front of the country club and raised about \$1,000 for swings that volunteer fathers built at the east recreational area. Some of the same volunteers help Wallace and Acker set up for the show today.



Echo staff photo by Bennie Shallbatter
Linda Wallace, left, and Brierley Acker work all year to make the Arts and Crafts Show in Diamondhead a success.

Acker says a lot of the organization for the show takes place from her couch.

"A lot of the organization is just daily work such as stuffing envelopes and getting out applications to the list of about 1000 artists and crafts persons on the shows list," said Acker.

This is followed by assignment of booth spaces, many want to return to familiar spots, and shorting out spaces for new comers. The show has about 50 or so new comers this year, the two say. The physical work begins on the week of the show, marking booth spaces and more.

What keeps Wallace and Acker involved? The need, they say. Though today's children may no longer

need playground equipment which has long been built, they have other needs, and money is always needed to fulfill those needs.

The two are dedicated to helping children. They say they are most happy when they see people leaving with lots of purchases, because then everyone benefits.

This year's lineup of exhibitors will include many familiar names, crafters who have brought their quality work to the show for several years.

Those returning will feature wood and fabric crafts, quilted items, dried and silk flower arrangements; pottery, ceramics, and porcelain; handmade baskets; stained and etched glass; block printed,

tie dyed, hand painted and stenciled clothing; shell crafts; ribbon crafts; fine arts and tole painting; jewelry made of everything from antique buttons and silverware to porcelain and paper; potpourri; custom made birdhouses; wrought iron shelves and plant stands; leather crafts; and cypress outdoor furniture and swings.

These are just a sample of the wide variety and selection available. There are also many special seasonal decorator items for sale. Special things for your home, yard, door, or personal adornment, for Christmas, Thanksgiving and Halloween.

Drinks, sandwiches and "munchies" will be available outside. The Diamondhead Country Club will have a lunch special available inside.

The Diamondhead Community Association Continuing Education, one of the show sponsors, will be holding a raffle with exciting prizes in conjunction with the Crafts Show. Raffle tickets will be on sale both days, with the drawings on Sunday afternoon. You need not be present to win. The other show sponsor, the Diamondhead Family Association is dedicated to providing recreational activities, equipment and opportunities for the young people of Diamondhead.

There will be free shuttle bus transportation provided from the Diamondhead Shopping

Center parking lot on both days. The air conditioned bus will deliver you to where the action is, and return at your convenience.

Also on tap this weekend is the Diamondhead Airport's celebration of the 100th anniversary of flight. They are planning a great display of antique and contemporary aircraft as well as displays and a visiting astronaut from Stennis Space Center.

For more information contact, Brierley Acker at 228-255-2697 or Linda Wallace at 228-452-2200.

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First flight celebration set Sept. 20-21 in D'head

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

On Dec. 17, the world of aviation will celebrate its first 100 years and the anniversary of the first flight of Orville Wright in 1903.

Locally, the Diamondhead Airport in conjunction with Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) Chapter 479 has planned a two-day celebration of the event on Saturday, Sept. 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Centennial takes place on the same weekend as the Annual Diamondhead Arts and Crafts Fair and organizers say they hope festival goers will take the opportunity to visit both festivals.

The event will feature multiple displays in a show that will include exhibits of about 60 aircraft ranging from antique civilian planes to homebuilt, to warbirds, such as a Sky Raider attack bomber, a Russian YAK, a T-6 two Comanches, and an RV9A.

NASA will also participate in the event with both displays and visiting astronaut, Lieutenant Colonel Douglas H. Wheelock. Wheelock will make appearances both on Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. Arts, crafts and food booths will round out the celebration. Organizers hope to make the event an annual occurrence.

On Dec. 17, 1903, the Wright Brothers launched their Flyer on the sand dunes of Kitty Hawk, North Carolina. Their first flight covered less than half the length of a football field



and lasted less than one minute. The experiment ended with their machine damaged during a hard landing later in the day.

Their success during that first flight was the result of many years of experimentation and study.

While the flight was brief, it confirmed that the Wright brothers were on the right track. Flight was possible.

Right now, organizers are looking for help of all kinds to make the event a success. Of course, sponsors are needed and several levels of sponsorship are available, with perks ranging from airplane rides to golf games. Individual donations are also welcomed. Call John Hall at 228-255-6111 or Charlie Hense at 228-255-6146 for more information.

If you are interested in displaying your airplane at the show call Mario Feola at 228-255-7011.

The centennial celebration will also feature arts and crafts and exhibit booths available at low cost, say organizers. For more information on vendor booths call Charles or John at 228-255-0000.

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Silver Tea Golf Tournament set for Friday at the Oaks

Fundraiser to benefit Hope Haven and Food Pantry

Forget those dainty tea cups; it's time for a nice round of golf. The Episcopal Church Women of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis aren't sipping tea any more for their annual fundraiser for Hope Haven Children's Home and the Hancock County Food Pantry.

The women decided last year they needed to "change with the times" and transform their Silver Tea event into the new Silver Tee Golf Tournament.

Friday, Sept. 19, at 1 p.m. the women will sponsor their Second Annual Silver Tee Golf Tournament at The Oaks Golf Club in Pass Christian with a shotgun start scramble.

DeRussy Motors is sponsoring several of the holes with cash prizes for closest to the pin, longest drive, and putting contest awards.

Many of the local businesses have provided a



Pictured from left are Mary Kay Hubbard, Karen McAllister, Diane Lind and Lyn Stabler. Not pictured is Susan Stevens.

plethora of door prizes. That along with plenty to eat and drink should encourage golfers to come out for a good time and at the same time help to raise funds for these worthy charities.

Committee members include chairperson Karen

McAllister, Diane Lind, Mary Kay Hubbard, Susan Stevens, and Lyn Stabler.

"The Silver Tee is open to the public. Don't let the sponsorship of Women of the Church fool you, most of our players last year were men. Everyone that played

had a wonderful time and

promised to return this year. Make your plans to participate today!"

McAllister said.

Participants may register up to the day of the tournament.

For more information, call Karen McAllister at 467-1029 or 324-8799.

Celebrate the Gulf Festival returns to Pass Christian Harbor Sept. 27

Looking for something educational, fun and free for the entire family to enjoy? Come celebrate National Estuaries Day at the annual Celebrate the Gulf Marine Education Festival, Saturday, Sept. 27, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Pass Christian Harbor.

Lively, hands-on exhibits addressing marine and estuarine environmental issues and recreational and commercial activities associated with the Gulf will be set up throughout the festival grounds. Awards will be given to the schools that bring the most students to the event.

More than 30 exhibitors have signed up for this event and children and adults alike can experience everything from crawling through the ever-popular "turtle hurdle," and boarding a Marine Patrol boat, to learning about native plants, birds and marine life first-hand and enjoying a ride on a wooden schooner.

Demonstrations on throwing a cast net and flyfishing techniques and the safe operation of canoes and kayaks will be offered during the festival. Pass Christian Library will be at the festival taking applications for library cards.

Again, this year the Marine Cuisine tent will feature demonstrations on how to choose, prepare and cook Mississippi seafood. Come by and learn how to make a roux, filet a fish or shuck an oyster and try some tasty samples after the demonstrations.

Don't miss the Junior Catch and Release Fishing Rodeo: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Children 12 and under accompanied by an adult may participate.

Registration will take place at the festival site. Children should bring their own fishing gear and bait, and must fish in the predesignated area.

Young anglers will learn techniques for catching and releasing their fish and prizes donated by West Marine will be awarded for



the longest fish.

Musician Davis & Sax will be performing during festival hours. Food and beverages will be available, including hotdogs, popcorn, cold drinks and more.

Be sure and stop by the Department of Marine Resources' blue tent and fill out a survey card and you'll be entered to win a free meal certificate from Harbor View Cafe.

Sponsors of Celebrate the Gulf include: the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources/ Grand Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Mississippi Power Company, Northrup Grumman Ship Systems, Gulf of Mexico Program, City of Pass Christian, ChevronTexaco and Dupont.

The Celebrate the Gulf Marine Education Festival is funded through the Gulf Coast Community Foundation.

For more information contact the Department of Marine Resources at (228) 374-5000.

Just down the road from Celebrate the Gulf, the Collage Art in the Park Festival will be held from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sept. 27

Buck Buchanan of the Department of Marine Resources, left, shows a youngster how to toss a cast net at the annual Celebrate the Gulf Marine Education Festival at Pass Christian Harbor.

and 28 at Pass Christian Memorial Park in downtown Pass Christian. Ride the FREE trolley between the two events. The festival showcases the works of numerous local artists, who will be displaying and selling their art. In addition to sales by individual artists, a silent auction will be held. Food and beverages will be available as well as live music.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the DMR online at www.dmr.state.ms.us.

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OPINION

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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

After Hours scheduled today on Coleman Ave.

Do not forget the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours from 5 to 7 p.m. this evening.

This month's sponsors are Ashman-Mollere Realty, Dixie Signs, Momo Graphics and That Cute Little Shoppe.

The event is being referred to as a block party, as these Coleman Avenue merchants are working to make this After Hours very special.

There will be some very good food (supplied by Rickey's Restaurant) and refreshments this evening.

I hope to see you at the After Hours this evening.

In recent months local governmental officials have been very busy preparing and passing budgets for the coming year.

Needless to say, this is not an easy task. Budgets require monies to fund them and that comes from taxes, which come from the general public.

Thousands of hours of time is spent on budgeting on a local level when you added up the county, two cities, schools, libraries, law enforcement agencies, etc.

Budgets do not come together without a lot of effort and hard work.

So, we need to really think about those who have to work through the budget process.

We all worry about paying taxes, but taxes are necessary for the day-to-day operations of local governments.

Friday night marks the fourth week of high school football action.

It was a sweet homecoming victory for the Hancock High Hawks as they downed Ocean Springs last week 19-18. This give Hancock a 2-1 record.

On Friday, Hancock will

be on the road with an encounter with the Gulfport Admirals.

The Pirates of Pass Christian got into the win column last week defeating St. John 24-14. The Pirates will be really tested this week as the play host to Bay High.

Last Friday, the Tigers of Bay High were involved in a high scoring game with Pearl River. Some 90 points were scored. The Tigers lost to Pearl River by a 59-31 score.

The Tigers want to get back on the winning track with their first District game of the season.

Hopefully there will be lots of folks out on Friday night to cheer on their local teams to victory.

We hope to see you in the stands Friday night.

Saturday is the big Coast Cleanup and hopefully there will be a large turnout in Hancock County.

For particulars, call the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce at 467-9048. There is still room for more helpers.

All of us can make a BIG difference.

The 21st Our Lady Academy's International Food Festival is set for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 19, 20 & 21.

The event will be held on the O.L.G. grounds, 220 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis.

This year will include an International variety of foods, (also funnel cakes, bloomin' onions, and more), craft booths, fun for the entire family.

Entertainment begins at 6 p.m. on Friday, with MJ the DJ until 10 p.m. and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday; Southbound, 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday; and on Sunday, Keith Hoda from 1 to 5 p.m.

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The 1948 Dixiecrat and 2003 politics

Appropriately, a new book, "The Dixiecrat Revolt and the end of the Solid South" begins with this quote from Oliver Emmerich, the late editor of The Enterprise-Journal of McComb:

"In the light of history, the states' rights campaign of 1948 can be seen as an outgrowth of the thinking of the rednecks, the coon-asses, and the hillbillies. But it was acceptable to the political elite as well."

Emmerich was in a unique position to view the Mississippi-born political phenomenon that became known as the "Dixiecrats," because he was an intimate part of it when it was born, and then, later, as journal-



Eyes on Mississippi

By Bill Minor

ist, he was able to critically view it from a distance.

Why the 1948 Dixiecrat movement is of paramount significance to the understanding of our 2003 politics is because it was actually the launching pad for the modern

Republican Party in Mississippi and elsewhere in the South.

Kari Frederickson, assistant professor of history at the University of Alabama, has come out with "The Dixiecrat Revolt," published by The University of North Carolina Press (\$25) after obvious exhaustive research into the South's political upheaval from 1932 to 1968.

As the title implies, Frederickson's book centers on the historic Southern bolt from the National Democratic Party over civil rights in the 1948 presidential election, in a movement aimed at using the South's 127 electoral votes to block the re-election of President Harry Truman.

It succeeded in getting only the votes of Mississippi, Louisiana, Alabama and South Carolina, far short of enough to stop Truman from winning. But it marked the first time in nearly a century that the Deep South states voted for a regional ticket rather than the national party.

South Carolina's Gov. Strom Thurmond (and later the nation's longest serving United States Senator) was the States' Righters' candi-

date for president and Mississippi's Gov. Fielding L. Wright their vice-presidential nominee.

Both, of course, were, as all other Southern governors, Democrats. An enterprising South Carolina writer had labeled the ticket as the "Dixiecrats" and the name stuck in both the Southern and national media.

Back then I had written that the disaffected Mississippi Democrats who joined the bolt movement might well find it the "bridge" that would eventually take them into what was then the hated Republican Party. Dixiecrat leaders pooh-poohed the notion.

However, Frederickson's 300-page book pretty well

MINOR-5A



Bay, Hancock's hospitality is second to none

As president of Dixie Softball Inc. for the past 28 years, I have attended a lot of Dixie Softball World Series and have enjoyed the hospitality of many communities throughout the South.

I had the pleasure to attend the opening weekend of the 2003 Dixie Ponytails World Series recently hosted by the Bay Dixie Softball league located in the Bay St. Louis/Hancock County area.

I rank the hospitality of the Bay St. Louis/Hancock people right at the top of any World Series I have attended, bar none. The Mardi Gras parade to the opening ceremony stadium was the most unique entrance that teams participating in any Dixie Softball World Series has ever had. It mixed the local cuisine and customs of the Bay St. Louis/Hancock County area with the matter at hand, showing the girls from 11 states a great time.

I liked the atmosphere and hospitality of Hancock County so well that I have decided that the Dixie Softball Inc. National Board of Directors meeting in 2004 will be held in Bay St. Louis.

Later, the "beach party"

was another added experience that the players, coaches, and fans got to enjoy. Going to the beach allowed the folks the opportunity to visit the "old town" area of Waveland. Many ladies were seen doing their national pastime, shopping.

The Hancock County people from the mayors, county officials, city/county employees, local Dixie Softball officials, and people who just enjoyed a good game of softball made it a pleasure for all participants of the World Series to be on the Mississippi coast. All associated with putting on the World Series are to be congratulated for hosting a fantastic Series and making it a joy for all to be at the Series.

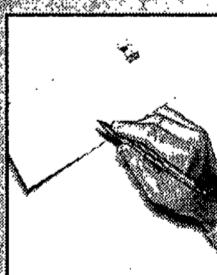
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Isn't it ironic...

To the Editor:

How amusingly ironic that Lela Patterson's letter to the editor of September 14, 2003, in which she expressed the frustration and justified anger of 25 years, worth of determined neglect from Waveland city officials, was juxtaposed with Erle Stadnicki and Donna Schmidt's glowing paeon to "frugal, fiscally prudent" city management!

Mrs. Stadnicki and Ms.

Schmidt, it seems, were deeply embarrassed that on September 8, during the "Public Comment" portion of a Combined Workshop & Regular Meeting (not a "Budget Hearing," as cited in their letter) of the Waveland Mayor & Board of Aldermen, quite a few citizens of Waveland rose to publicly comment on health-threatening, long-term problems that did

IRONIC-5A

Coastal Family Health Center celebrates 25 years with open houses along Gulf Coast

Bay St. Louis health center to hold open house Sept. 24 from 1 to 4 p.m.

THE SEA COAST ECHO

The 25th anniversary of the opening of Coastal Family Health Center (CFHC) will be celebrated with open houses in each of CFHC's clinic sites on Wednesday, Sept. 24, between 1 and 4 p.m.

Patients, staffs and boards of community agencies, elected officials and the general public are encouraged to drop by.

Tours will be conducted, free blood pressure checks will be offered and refreshments will be served. Coastal Family Health Center, organized by local citizens under the leadership of Back Bay Mission and during the administration of mayor Jerry O'Keefe, was established with a special focus on providing access to primary health care (family practice, internal medi-

cine and pediatrics) to families who had no private health insurance and inadequate income to purchase care from private providers.

Today, the program provides services to families in a five-county area including Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Greene and Wayne.

One of the clinics is located in Bay St. Louis.

Coastal Family's services now include medical, dental, optometric, pharmaceutical, substance abuse counseling, WIC services (a nutrition program for children and pregnant and lactating women) and social services. Although all services are not offered at every site, patients can seek care from sites other than from their clinic.

Special emphasis is placed on nutrition counseling, preventive health care and patient participation in maintaining

healthy lifestyles.

Coastal Family Health Center has experienced phenomenal growth over the past 25 years. Currently, Coastal employs 190 staff members, including 32 primary care providers (physicians, registered nurse practitioners, dentists and a psychiatrist).

There is a monthly average of 10,000 patient visits in the clinics located in the Coastal counties. The center welcomes all patients regardless of income or health insurance status (private, Medicare, Medicaid or none).

It is not a free clinic, but charges fees scaled to income. Coastal provides free care to the homeless and operates special clinics for HIV+ patients.

For those with incomes at 200 percent poverty level and above, fees are consistent with fees charged by other physi-

cians in the community.

The enormous need for Coastal Family Health Center's services is clearly demonstrated by the fact that 83 percent of its clients have incomes below 200 percent of poverty level, 64 percent have incomes below 100 percent of poverty level and 51 percent are unin-

formed. For more information about the open house on Sept. 24 or the services offered by the health center, call Joe Dawsey, the executive director of CFHC, at 228-374-2494 or Karlyn Stephens, board president, at 228-392-2070.

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confirms that theory. And, it amplifies in detail that the Dixiecrat bolters of 1948 became the starting point for the rise of the Republican Party in the South as we know it today, and creation of viable two-party system in the region.

She uses 1932 and 1968 as the parameters for her book because each of those years marks a particular milestone in the transformation of Southern politics, hinged together by the Dixiecrat revolt.

The year 1932 was when Franklin D. Roosevelt was elected, ushering in his New Deal and policies that first brought unease to Black Belt white Democratic economic conservatives. That unease by 1944 found their long unquestioned loyalty to the party seriously weakening.

The year 1968 at the other end of the spectrum marks Richard Nixon's "Southern Strategy," the definitive point when Republicans instituted a major regional drive to lure disaffected Southern Democrats into the GOP fold, on the heels of Sen. Strom Thurmond's party switch.

Mississippi was already fertile ground for the Southern Strategy. It had given-by an amazing 88.2 percent-conservative Arizona Republican Sen. Barry Goldwater its presidential vote over President Lyndon Johnson in 1964.

Naturally I was pleased to see in her credits Frederickson had extensively used the Dixiecrat file in the collection of my personal papers which years ago I gave to Mitchell Memorial Library at

Mississippi State University.

Although her book makes no mention of it, I am possibly the only still-active Southern journalist who actually covered the Dixiecrat movement, and, the States' Rights convention held on July 16 and 17,

"Perched atop a platform of racial and economic conservatism, the Dixiecrats led the exodus of Black Belt whites from the solid Democratic South."

Kari Frederickson,
Assistant professor of history at
the University of Alabama and author
of "the Dixiecrat Revolt"

1948 in Birmingham, a week after several Deep South states had walked out of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia.

Sporting with Confederate flags and with bands blaring "Dixie," (one student even toted a picture of General Robert E. Lee around the hall), the Birmingham convention nominated the Thurmond-Wright ticket.

Frederickson's book recalls that former Alabama Gov. Frank Dixon in a keynote address set the

racial tone for the Birmingham convention, charging that Truman's program would "reduce us to a mongrel, inferior race...our Anglo-Saxon heritage a mockery."

The American Broadcasting Company, which was covering the convention on its radio network, stopped broadcasting because it found the speeches too inflammatory to air around the country.

The bolters proceeded to adopt a "statement of principles" vowing their opposition to "elimination of segregation, the repeal of miscegenation statutes, the control of private employment...by the misnamed civil rights program."

This was the platform on which Thurmond and Wright were nominated as the Dixiecrats' standard-bearers, leaving little doubt racial origins undermined the movement's supposed states' rights facade and their insistence that they were still the "real" Democrats.

Frederickson describes it thusly: "Perched atop a platform of racial and economic conservatism, the Dixiecrats led the exodus of Black Belt whites from the solid Democratic South."

It's eerily poetic that the same Strom Thurmond who was a central figure in the 1948 political drama that helped give birth to a strong Republican Party in the South, a half century later would unwittingly become the focal point in the downfall of Trent Lott, one of the GOP's most powerful Southern leaders.

The moving finger that has writ the South's political history, moves on...and in strange ways.

Ironic

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not appear to be sufficiently covered by a draft of Waveland's proposed 2004 budget.

Mrs. Stadnicki and Ms. Schmidt labeled the legitimate concerns of Waveland residents "non-related questions and selective demands," part of a "personal agenda," thereby denigrating the seriousness of their nature, but also denying the meaning of their own term, "the welfare of the entire city." All comments made at the Mayor & Aldermen's meeting were directly related to Waveland's budgeting of available funds and ques-

tions why "the welfare of the entire city" was not considered. Contrary to the allegations of Mrs. Stadnicki and Ms. Schmidt, no one who spoke "demanded that Waveland spend all [its] resources" in one area of the city. They did, however, want to know why NONE of those resources were being utilized in a chronically neglected area of the city.

It is the right of every citizen to "scrutinize the city budget" and the citizens who spoke up on September 8, 2003 possess a perfectly intelligent "conception of city requirements," honestly

and eloquently asking for a fair distribution of funds to make upgrades that have been needed for many years, including during the first term of the present Mayor.

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Equine Center director asks for security system after break-in

BY BENNIE
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Staff Writer

Hancock County Equine Center and Livestock Arena director Wade Ladner reported to Supervisors Monday that a break-in had occurred at the arena.

Ladner said thieves had broken into the his office at the arena and stolen a computer monitor and hard drive. Ladner said the lock on the door to the concession stand had also been broken but that it appeared that only those two items had been taken.

He asked Supervisors to look into a security system for the arena to prevent any future burglaries. Supervisors authorized the purchasing clerk to look into getting some estimates for a security system.

In other business:

• Building official Mickey Lagasse asked Supervisors to consider approving a zoning change from agricultural to commercial for property in the Stennis Buffer Zone. The property, belonging to Raymond Heitzmann, now contains three cell towers.

Heitzmann wants to construct a billboard on the property, said Lagasse and would need the commercial

rating. The hitch came when Lagasse told Supervisors that the billboard itself would not be initiative enough to obtain the commercial zoning.

Heitzmann would have to propose other commercial activity on the property, but Lagasse could not tell officials what the activity would be.

Board President District 2 Supervisor Rocky Pullman told Lagasse that no approval could be considered without detailed information on Heitzmann's future plans for the property.

• Supervisors agreed to look into purchasing property on Longfellow Rd. by the Civic Center. The property now contains soccer fields and the Farmer's Market.

• The board approved the re-appointment of Ray Murphy to the Diamond Water and Sewer District Board at the request of Jack Cleveland.

• The board approved a request by the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission to advertise for bids to expand their treatment plant at Port Bienville to a 75,000 gallon per day capacity.

The plant has an outfall line that empties into the Pearl River. Director Hal

Walters said the port may consider coming in with the county treatment facilities when they are completed, but that some waste treated at the port, from the GE plant, may not be suitable for county facilities to treat because of trace chemicals in the water.

The county has plans to use a spray irrigation system that would remove all treated wastewater from area waterways.

• The board approved a request by Port and Harbor to accept a bid by Hardie Trucking for crushed limestone and sub-base work to be performed on Road A at Stennis Airpark, which will later be overlaid with asphalt, said Walters.

The road was the center of a disagreement between Port and Harbor and landowner Lennie Farris, owner of Farris Concrete Pumping, who said he was unable to operate his business because of the condition of the road.

The land had been purchased from Port and Harbor with the understanding that all roads in the park were up to state load standards, Farris said. Port and Harbor officials maintained that the road had been damaged during construction operations at the concrete business.

As State Representative J.P. Comprett enters his seventh term of office in 2004 he hopes to add one more accomplishment to his long record of service for the people living along the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

Comprett is making a bid for the second most prestigious position in the House, that of speaker pro tempore. The speaker pro tem conducts the business of the House in the absence of the speaker.

"In politics, timing is everything," said Comprett.

And the timing for his bid for the position is perfect as three term veteran speaker pro tem and nine term veteran legislator Robert Clark retires from public office. Clark became the first black elected to the legislature since reconstruction in 1968.

House Speaker Tim Ford has also announced that he will not be seeking re-election.

Comprett sees his bid for the position not only

now the Coast is left out of many committee chairmanships as many are now from the Northern part of the state."

Comprett has served for two terms as the Chairman of the Transportation Committee and is noted as a key supporter of the Vision 21 program. In his capacity as chairman he was able to get Hancock County roadways to the top of the list for slated improvements.

The Speaker wields the power to select committee members and to appoint the chairmen for the various committees. Some say the speaker pro tem is more of a position of status than power.

To be elected to the position, Comprett must win the support of at least 62 of the 122 members of the House. To accomplish this he will spend the next months writing letters and making phone calls asking for a commitment of support, Comprett said.

"Many people ask for a written commitment," he said. "But I will just be asking for a verbal commitment."



"In politics, timing is everything."

**J.P. Comprett,
State Representative**

AMR donates ambulances to county public safety departments

American Medical Response (AMR), the ambulance service and EMS Authority for Hancock and Harrison Counties, donated four retired ambulances to public safety departments throughout Hancock County during a ceremony held at the regular Board of Supervisors Meeting this morning.

Chris Cirillo, director of operations for AMR, presented the donated vehicles to the Post 58 Volunteer Fire Department, Leetown Volunteer Fire Department and Bayside Volunteer Fire Department.

AMR donated a vehicle to the Waveland Police Department Wednesday, Sept. 3.

"We are grateful for the teamwork of the fire-res-

"We know Hancock County will put these vehicles to great use in serving the needs of the communities for years to come."

**Chris Cirillo,
Director of operations
for AMR**

cue and law enforcement personnel in the county. These donations are one way for us to show our appreciation to our public safety partners," Cirillo said, adding, "We know Hancock County will put these vehicles to great use in serving the needs of the communities for years to come."

Valued near \$10,000 each, these retired ambulances will be converted by fire and police officials and used to supplement tactical and fire rescue operations in the county.

AMR is one of only 96 accredited ambulance services in the nation. AMR credits the long-life of their vehicles to a world-class fleet maintenance program, which emphasizes regular, comprehensive pre-

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Joida Evans to address Pass Art Association

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The guest artist will be Joida Evans who will present an overview of various ways used to produce earthenware. She will display examples of surface decoration, majolica, raku and wood fired pieces. She will also show a short film of Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts. Guests are welcome to attend. For information, call Dot Copeland at (228) 466-0069.

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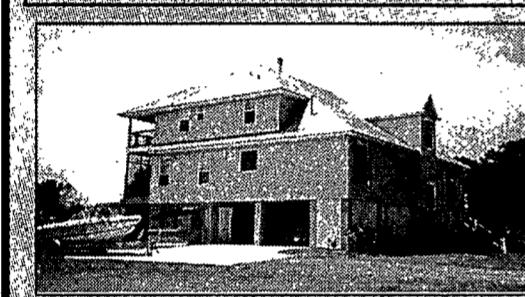
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Millicent and Sid Charbonnet, the owners, have been joined by their daughter and son-in-law, Millicent and Mark Britton, to staff the Bay St. Louis store. The Brittons are also residents of the coast.

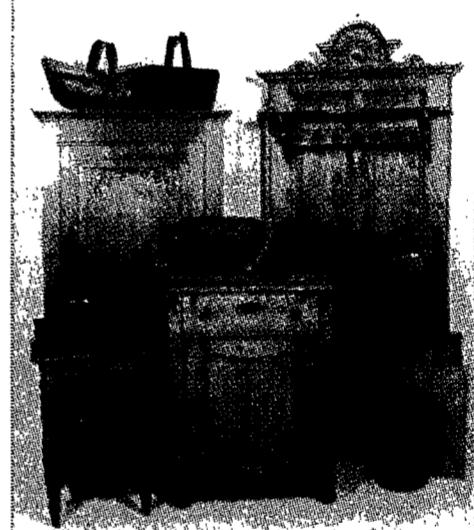
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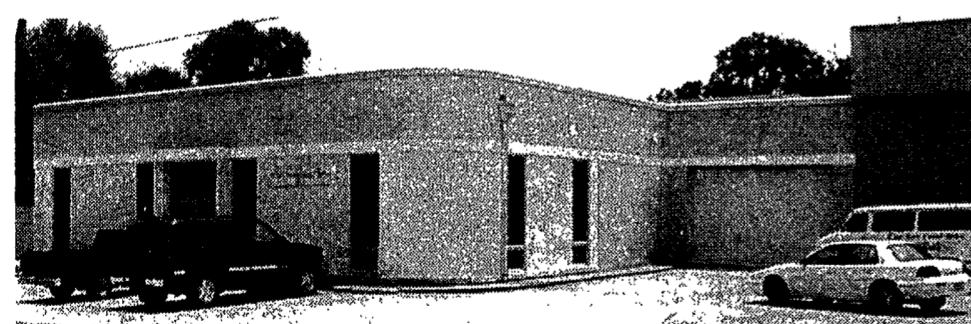
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FRANCIS FAVRE

Francis Thomas "Tubb" Favre, "our beloved Daddy and PawPaw," was a very special loving and caring person who always cared about his family.

He will be missed by many children, grandchildren, family and friends.

He was born May 29, 1919, and passed away in Gulfport on Monday, Sept. 15, 2003. He was a native of Bay St. Louis and a resident of Pineville.

He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was self employed, was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints and was a member of the MS Band of Choctaw Indians.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Bertie Favre; his parents, Cameron N. and Viola Favre; a son, Tommy Favre; three brothers, Milford Favre, Bill Favre and J.C. Favre; and a sister, Wilma Stammes.

Survivors include his wife, Marie Favre of Pass Christian; a son Drew Kirk Favre of Philadelphia, Miss.; six daughters, Charolette Banks of Kiln, Diane Deschamp of Kiln, Cindy Cuevas of Pass Christian, Renee Necaise of Kiln, Tammie Rexroad of Atmore, Ala., and Lisa Necaise of Kiln; two stepsons, Ray Warren of Pass Christian and Charlie Strahan of Picayune; and a

step-daughter, Patsy Strahan of Picayune; a brother, Hugo Favre of Bay St. Louis; two sisters, Edith Favre of Bay St. Louis and Murdy Ann Shiyou of Lakeshore; 31 grandchildren and 24 great grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 18, at 2 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home and interment will follow in Allen Cemetery in Long Beach. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

GEORGE E. JACKSON
George E. "Edd" Jackson, 65, of Lyman, died Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003, in Gulfport.

Mr. Jackson was a native of Magnolia and a resident of the Coast for most of his life. Mr. Jackson was a retired building contractor and self-employed insurance adjuster. He served in the United States Army for six years and served several years with the Harrison County Sheriff's Department Auxiliary. He was a member of MS Law Enforcement Officers Association and TN/MS Peace Officers Association.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Hill Jackson of Lyman; a son, Kenny Jackson and his wife, Theresa, of Kiln; his daughters, Lisa Jackson Fleming and her husband, Bud, of Fayetteville, Ga.; Stacey Jackson Walters and her husband, David, of Slidell, La.; and Robin N. Jackson of Hattiesburg; his brothers, Bruce I. Jackson Jr. of Gulfport; Pete Jackson of McHenry; and Willie Jackson of Lyman; his sisters, Joyce Evers of Mulberry, Fla., and Elaine Purvis of Gulfport; six grandchildren, Robert E. Fleming, Stephen M. Fleming, Sarah C. Fleming, Jackson L. Walters, Isabelle K. Walters and Garrett J. Walters.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Sept. 17, at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home in Gulfport. Interment followed at Floral Hills Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum in Gulfport. Riemann Memorial Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

DOROTHY LEE
Dorothy V. Lee, 70, of Pearlington died Sept. 14, 2003.

She was a homemaker and a member of Holmes Chapel United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Albert Lee of Pearlington; 2 sons, Lionel Lee and Roy Lee both of Pearlington; 2 daughters, Alberta Lee and Phyllis Lee both of Pearlington; 1 sister, Shirley Acker of Pearlington; 3 brothers, Rev. Samuel Burton of Pearlington, Rev. Louis Burton of Picayune, and Charles Burton Sr. of Pearlington; 2 grandchildren. Rev. Bobby McGill will officiate at the services.

Services will be held at noon Sept. 20 at Holmes Chapel United Methodist Church with visitation one hour before service. Baylous Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

KATHLEEN MAYNARD

Kathleen F. Maynard, 54, of Diamondhead died Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003. Visitation will be Sept. 18 at Riemann Pass Christian Chapel from 6 to 9 p.m. Services will be held Sept. 19 at St. Stephen Church at noon. Burial will be in Biloxi National Cemetery.

GEORGE E. MORSE
George E. Morse, 77, of Pass Christian died Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003, in Gulfport.

Mr. Morse was a native and lifelong resident of the Gulf Coast. He was a graduate of Gulf Coast Military Academy where he acted as Battalion Commander and later served in the U.S. Air Force in Germany during the occupation.

A graduate of the University of Mississippi School of Law, he practiced law in Gulfport as a partner in Morse and Morse and later White and Morse. He was honored by his peers with election into the American College of Trial Lawyers and was elected President of the Mississippi Junior Bar and served on the Ethics Committee of the Senior Bar.

Mr. Morse formed the

Pass Christian Improvement Association, working for zoning in the city and aiding in the development of zoning regulations. He was also instrumental in securing Civil Service protection for city employees and served on that commission for some years.

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Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel of the Metairie Home of L.A. Muhleisen & Son, 2929 Metairie Rd., Metairie, LA 70001 on Friday, September 19, 2003 at 11:00 a.m. Interment in Hope Mausoleum. Visitation from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on Thursday and after 10:00 a.m. on Friday. Recitation of the Rosary at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday. Donations to Cystic Fibrosis, 6931 Arlington Rd., Bethesda, MD 20814 or the Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, 4950 Essen Ln., Baton Rouge, LA 70809 or masses preferred.

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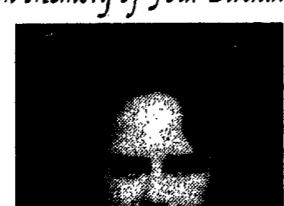
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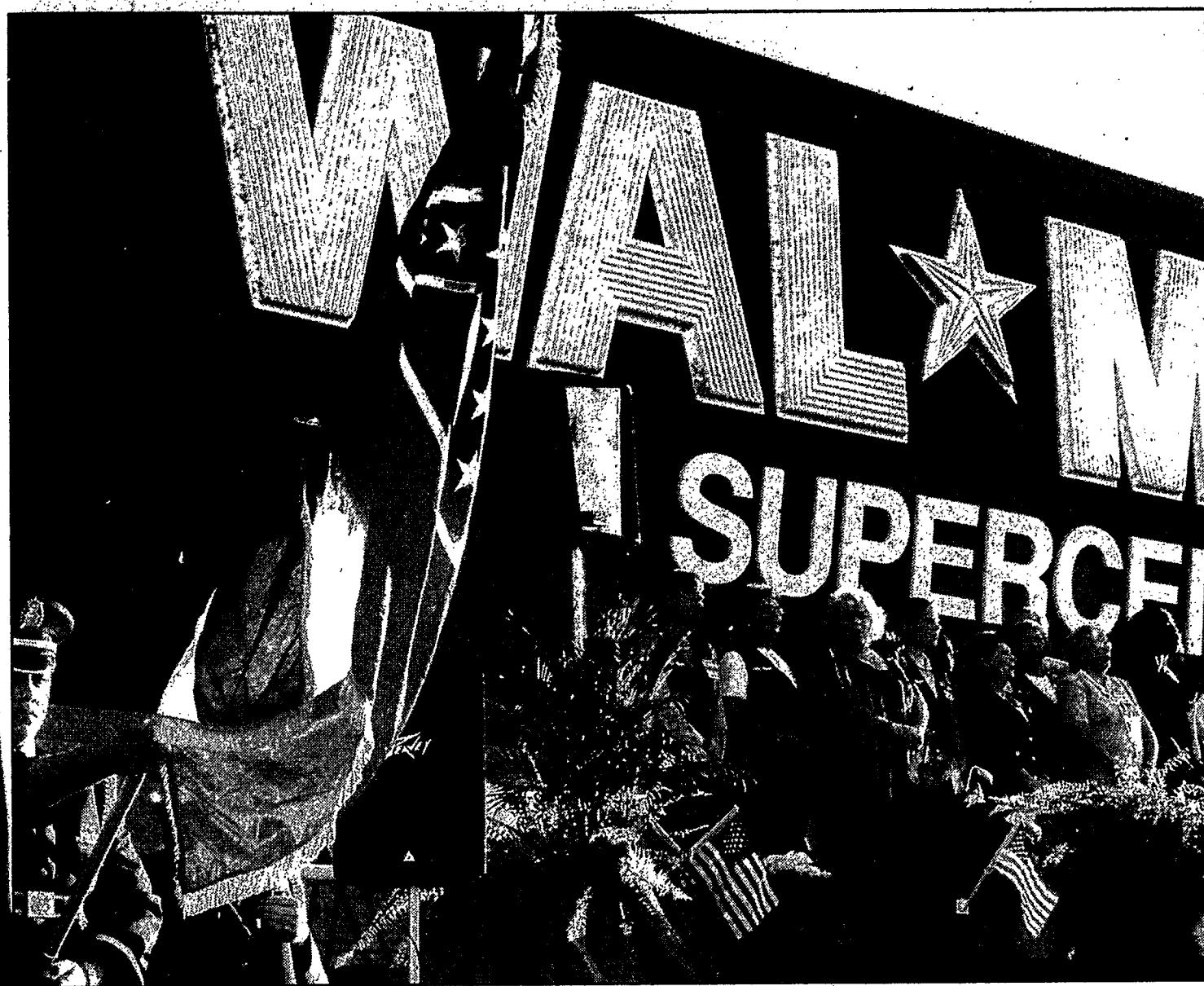
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On both the Gulf Coast and in Tunica, tourism executives are aggressively trying to increase the number of visitors.

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau upgraded its Web site, adding streaming video commercials and links to casino sites. It also launched its first national television advertising campaign after a visitor study found about one-third of 2002 coast visitors traveled from at least 750 miles away, compared to 19 percent in 2001.

In Tunica County, the county itself is spending money to add attractions to increase the area's appeal beyond its nine casinos.

The \$24 million Tunica

River Park is scheduled to open in mid-October and will feature an interactive museum of Mississippi River history and a landing stage for the Tunica Queen. Beginning Friday, the 400-passenger Tunica Queen riverboat will give tours on the river.

Tunica was once one of the poorest counties in the nation. In the past decade, thanks to the casinos, it has developed a tourism industry that employs 16,000. It also has built a golf course and tennis center with indoor clay courts.

"Ten years ago, we had zero tourism, and the casinos have come in and built all this and now we're trying to create a true destination," said Webster Franklin, president and chief executive of the Tunica Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Franklin said visits by tourists are down slightly from last year.

"But the hotels are about 88 percent occupied, visitors still stay an average of 2.6 nights and summer was strong," Franklin said.

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Michael D. Brown, Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Emergency Preparedness and Response, announced 253 grants to fire departments throughout the U.S. in the 14th round of the 2003 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

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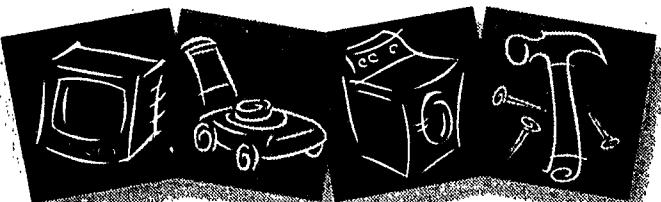
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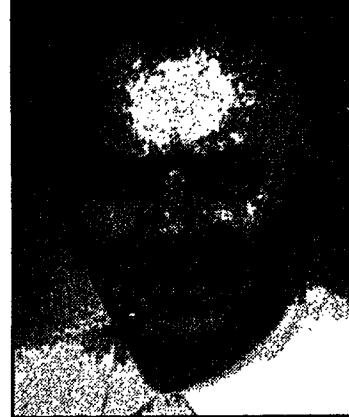
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Francis Thomas "Tubb" Favre, "our beloved Daddy and PawPaw," was a very special loving and caring person who always cared about his family.

He will be missed by many children, grandchildren, family and friends.

He was born May 29, 1919, and passed away in Gulfport on Monday, Sept. 15, 2003. He was a native of Bay St. Louis and a resident of Pineville.

He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was self-employed, was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints and was a member of the MS Band of Choctaw Indians.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Bertie Favre; his parents, Cameron N. and Viola Favre; a son, Tommy Favre; three brothers, Milford Favre, Bill Favre and J.C. Favre; and a sister, Wilma Starnes.

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Funeral services will be held Thursday, Sept. 18, at 2 p.m. at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home and interment will follow in Allen Cemetery in Long Beach. Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of the arrangements.

GEORGE E. JACKSON

George E. "Edd" Jackson, 65, of Lyman died Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003, in Gulfport.

Mr. Jackson was a native of Magnolia and a resident of the Coast for most of his life. Mr. Jackson was a retired building contractor and self-employed insurance adjuster. He served in the United States Army for six years and served several years with the Harrison County Sheriff's Department Auxiliary. He was a member of MS Law Enforcement Officers Association and TN&MS Peace Officers Association.

Survivors include his wife, Diane Hill Jackson of Lyman; a son, Kenny Jackson and his wife, Theresa, of Kiln; his daughters, Lisa Jackson Fleming and her husband, Bud, of Fayetteville, Ga.; Stacey Jackson Walters and her husband, David, of Slidell, La.; and Robin N. Jackson of Hattiesburg; his brothers, Bruce I. Jackson Jr. of Gulfport; Pete Jackson of McHenry; and Willie Jackson of Lyman; his sisters, Joyce Evers of Mulberry, Fla., and Elaine Purvis of Gulfport; six grandchildren, Robert E. Fleming, Stephen M. Fleming, Sarah C. Fleming, Jackson L. Walters, Isabelle K. Walters and Garrett J. Walters.

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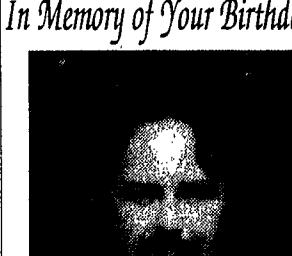
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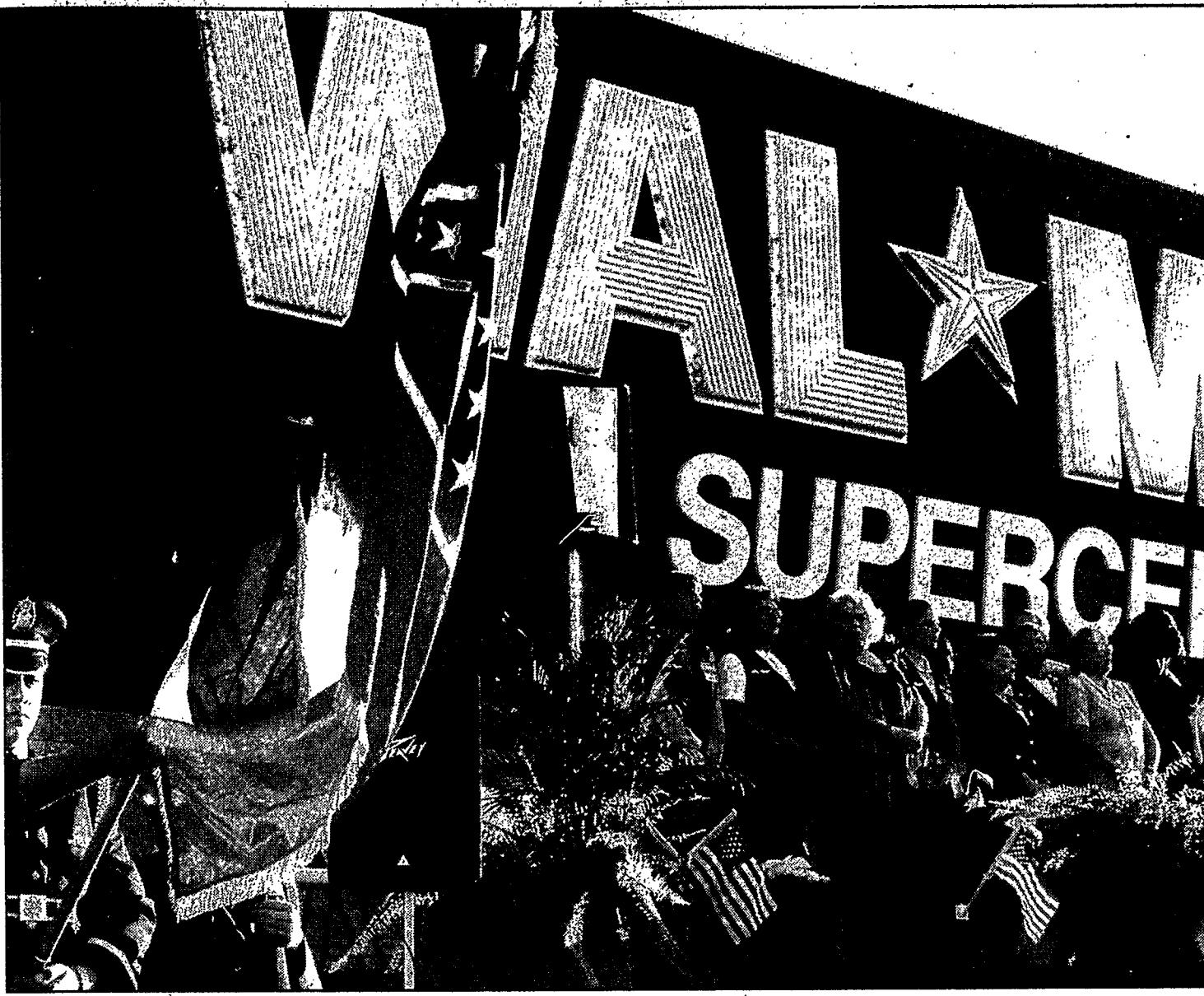
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enue statewide rose 5 percent to 6 percent in July and August.

Isle of Capri Casinos Inc., which operates four casinos in Mississippi, reported a record first quarter. The Biloxi gaming operator said its net income for the period ending July 27 rose to \$13.6 million from \$12.2 million in the same period a year ago.

On both the Gulf Coast and in Tunica, tourism executives are aggressively trying to increase the number of visitors.

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Convention & Visitors Bureau upgraded its Web site, adding streaming video commercials and links to casino sites. It also launched its first national television advertising campaign after a visitor study found about one-third of 2002 coast visitors traveled from at least 750 miles away, compared to 19 percent in 2001.

In Tunica County, the county itself is spending money to add attractions to increase the area's appeal beyond its nine casinos.

The \$24 million Tunica

River Park is scheduled to open in mid-October and will feature an interactive museum of Mississippi River history and a landing stage for the Tunica Queen. Beginning Friday, the 400-passenger Tunica Queen riverboat will give tours on the river.

Tunica was once one of the poorest counties in the nation. In the past decade, thanks to the casinos, it has developed a tourism industry that employs 16,000. It also has built a golf course and tennis center with indoor clay courts.

"Ten years ago, we had zero tourism, and the casinos have come in and built all this and now we're trying to create a true destination," said Webster Franklin, president and chief executive of the Tunica Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Franklin said visits by tourists are down slightly from last year.

"But the hotels are about 88 percent occupied, visitors still stay an average of 2.6 nights and summer was strong," Franklin said.

Mississippi receives \$462,446 to assist local fire departments

Michael D. Brown, Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Emergency Preparedness and Response, announced 253 grants to fire departments throughout the U.S. in the 14th round of the 2003 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

The grants will ultimately total approximately 7,000 awards worth \$750 million in direct assistance to firefighters.

This 14th round of grants

provides \$18.6 million to help local fire departments fund the purchase of fire-fighting equipment, fund firefighter health and safety programs, enhance emergency medical services programs, and conduct fire prevention and safety programs.

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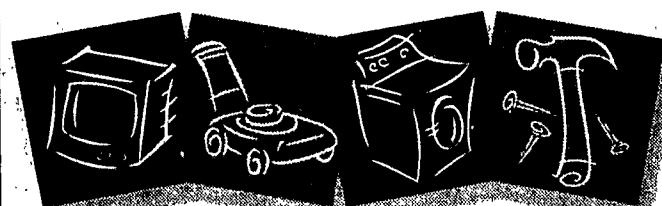
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A memorial wreath marks the spot where Marrina K. Ladner's car apparently left Caesar-Necaise Rd. to crash in Catahoula Creek.

Ladner -- crash

Mississippi Highway Patrol and the FBI have been involved in an all-out search for Ladner, who disappeared on her way from a job in Kiln to her Poplarville residence," Garber said.

Ladner would have celebrated her 19th birthday Tuesday. A candlelight vigil for her safe return was planned at the Pearl River County Courthouse in Poplarville, which turned into a celebration of the life of Marrina Ladner for over 1000 relatives and friends, according to reports.

Hancock County Interim Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt said, "Around 4 p.m. Tuesday, the sheriff's department received a call from a survey crew from Campton Engineers reporting a bridge railing damaged and bubbles in the Creek, in addition to a fuel sheen on the water. Deputy David Dear was the first officer to respond to the scene."

At noon on Wednesday Hurt emphasized, "As far as our investigation, there is no indication of any foul play, Ladner's death appears to be strictly an

accident."

Hurt said an autopsy reported Ladner's death was caused by drowning.

Helping recover the vehicle were members of the Hancock County Dive Team, consisting of Mark Allison, Johnny Allison, Mike Hines, Stacy Wilson and Joel Salisbury. The vehicle was upside down in 13-foot of water in the Creek Garber said. The accident occurred in a sharp curve of the Caesar-Necaise Road. Garber said Ladner apparently lost control of her vehicle, struck the bridge's railing and flipped into the creek. He also said it had been raining that night.

The last reported contact with Marrina Ladner was around 11:45 p.m. on November 6, when she telephoned her mother to say she was getting ready to head home from the Subway in Kiln.

Marrina was a student at Pearl River Community College and member of the PRCC's String of Pearls.

Caesar-Necaise was an 'out-of-the-way' road Ladner would not have normally taken home, Hurt said.

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adding, "We never had any indication she would have been traveling the Caesar-Necaise Road".

"We followed even the slightest of leads we received, no matter how small. Myself and Investigators Andre' Fizer, Rita Blaize-Watson, John Luther, Matt Barnett, Tom Roan and Deron Cuevas, all worked throughout the 10 days trying to find some solid lead. This in addition to the work of the other law enforcement agencies," Hurt said.

Apparently several accidents have occurred at the bridge located in a curve of the road. "The guard rails on the bridge had been struck before in accidents," Hurt reported.

"We were all hoping to find Marrina alive and well, this is a tragic ending for her family and so many friends in addition to law enforcement officers," Garber added.

Marrina's father, Gordon Ladner, teaches at Hancock High School and her mother, Gwen Ladner, teaches business/computer technology at Pearl River Central.

Bay -- budget

Favre said Monday, he and his staff trimmed it back as much as possible.

"Every line item we felt we could cut - even if it was \$100 here, \$100 there - we went ahead and cut it," Favre said.

The budget the council adopted on Monday will still increase city resident's property taxes by 6.75 mills, but Favre stressed that since county property taxes actually dropped by one mill, "that brings the net increase to 5.75 mills for

Bay St. Louis property owners."

Key items causing the hike include a new \$230,000 debt service on a \$2 million street paving bond issue, \$100,000 in additional health insurance costs, \$200,000 to repair city buildings and \$130,000 in labor costs for the street paving project.

In addition, officials have budgeted some \$140,000 to \$150,000 to cover costs of city employee raises - an average of \$1,050.

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Employees got no raises last year, and the mayor says the city is still offering salaries far below other area jurisdictions.

The final budget as approved includes \$7,193,706 for the city general fund; \$3,498,701 for the city utility system; \$205,163 for the Hancock County Library Fund; \$17,800 for the Unemployment Compensation Fund; and \$2,015,353 for the Capital Improvements Bond Fund, for a total \$12,930,723.

Annunciation Catholic Church to host blood drive

Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln, will be hosting a blood drive with The Blood Center in an effort to support the community blood supply. The blood drive will be held at the Annunciation Parish Hall on Kin-DeLisle Road on Sunday, September 21st from 8:00 am until 3:00 pm.

As a non-profit community service organization, The Blood Center depends on the generosity of volunteer blood donors to supply more than 40 hospitals in South Mississippi and Southeastern Louisiana with the blood components needed for area patients.

The Blood Center would like to invite those 17 years of age and older, weighing at least 110 pounds and in good health to lend an arm

and help save a life. During this drive, donors will receive a t-shirt, a free cholesterol screening and

refreshments to thank them for their generosity and commitment to saving lives in our community.

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Map -- Stennis

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The event also celebrated the groundbreaking of a new technology building under construction at the airport which will house Optech International, the new U.S. branch of Optech Canada. The joint effort between NAVOCEANO, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, with support from Fugro Chance Inc. of Lafayette and the Hancock County Port and Harbor commission will be called the Joint Airborne Lidar Bathymetry Technical Center of Expertise and officials hope to hold ribbon

cuttings for the center as early as next February.

The Navy financed 50 percent of the cost of the development of the new system, with the Canadian Government picking up 30 percent of the tab and Optech contributing the remaining 20 percent of the cost. The purpose; to perform coastal airborne mapping and charting which was previously done by ships and acoustic energy.

The new system will make mapping a fast, accurate and efficient process which Navy officials hope can eventually be mounted on unmanned craft for the

purpose of assisting in Naval warfare, with delivery of information in a matter of hours. CHARTS works on a system of three sensors which deliver superior information on coastal waters and beaches.

The Corps will use the new technology to create a national map of our shoreline. The process will begin right here in Hancock County, said representative Jeff Lillycrop. Once maps are created patterns of changes in an areas shoreline will be easily recognized with additional surveys taken every couple of years.

Waveland

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to 12.495 for the next fiscal year. Millage will remain the same for recreation at 3.63 mills and for the library at 2.5 mills.

About \$400,000 will be needed for expenses related to the city's proposed annexation plan. The city is proposing the annexation of an area along Hwy. 603 to a point about a mile north of Interstate 10, with surrounding neighborhoods. Neighboring Bay St. Louis is also seeking the annexation of much of the same territory. The two cities have

court dates for preliminary rulings on the plans in mid October.

At a meeting to discuss the budget local residents asked city officials to consider putting street improvements and drainage improvements at the top of the list for spending.

In other business:

• Waveland's public works director Tracy Hickman resigned from the position citing family problems as the reason for his resignation. Hickman replaced former public

works director Ray Eaton shortly after last year's general election and served in the city for just over six months. Interviews are currently being conducted to find a replacement for the position.

• Purchasing clerk Raquel LaFontaine resigned her position and was replaced by former mayor's secretary Robin Carver, who was promoted to the position. LaFontaine had been a Waveland city employee for several years.

Artist at Coast Episcopal

THE SEA COAST ECHO

Jonathan Bertucelli, from Studio 3 in New Orleans, is coming to the school to demonstrate to the children the technique of paper mache utilized in making Mardi Gras floats and other art work. His studio does not only many

designs during the Mardi Gras season in New Orleans, but also for Houston's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

He has also done work for Luxor, MGM Grand and Fremont Street Experience in Las Vegas. Jonathan is going to help the children

create a five foot Egyptian Anubis which will be utilized as a prop for Toast to the Coast 2003, A Night on the Nile. We are very fortunate to have such an expert willing to share his talent with the children and we are very excited about his upcoming visit.

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Fenton	109	106
Kilm East	138	70
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Look for additional run-off precinct results in Sunday's edition of The Sea Coast Echo.

NARFE Chapter 1729 to meet

After a three month sabbatical, the National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) of Chapter 1729 will meet in Waveland at their regular monthly location, the Holiday Inn on Hwy. 90 & 603 for this coming Tuesday, September 23rd at 11:30 AM for a choice luncheon. Guest speaker, Kelly Hamilton of

the Hancock County Civil Defense will bring us up to date information for our "Safety in Hurricane Evacuation and Preparedness."

We welcome our members and all other Federal workers, active or retired, to attend and to join our Chapter, just contact Amelia Killeen at 467-0589 by Saturday.

New Covenant Singers at Bayside Baptist

Bayside Baptist Church will present the New Covenant Singers in concert on Saturday, September 20, at 7:00 PM.

A love offering will be taken and nursery will be available. Bayside Baptist Church is

located in Hancock County approximately 2 miles west of Waveland off Highway 90 in the Bayside Park Subdivision at 7547 Hancock Drive. For more information and/or directions to the church, call (228) 467-0801.

BWMS offers Sat. hours

On Saturday September 20, 2003, the Bay-Waveland Middle School will begin opening its library to parents and students. This additional service is being offered on alternating Saturdays to facilitate parental and student use. Hours will be from 9 to 12 AM. For further information call Kay Covode at 463-0315.

Spotlight On Dining 2003

Kajun Kitchen

Have you heard the latest? Kajun Kitchen is now open nights! Wednesday through Saturday until 9pm you can enjoy delicious Cajun Specialties, Po Boys and Seafood.

I had the dubious pleasure of having dinner there last week and I can tell you this, I'm certainly looking forward to my next visit. My meal began with the best stuffed mushrooms I ever ate. Beautiful mushroom caps generously filled with perfectly seasoned crabmeat dressing and topped with Kajun Kitchen's own rich creamy Kajun sauce. Our delightful server took back a clean plate because we used the garlic bread rounds to sop up all that sauce. The next time I visit, I plan to try the crabmeat au-gratin as an appetizer. I've heard it's fabulous. I also had the gumbo. This particular dish has always been my favorite at Kajun

Kitchen and this past visit did not disappoint. If you want real cajun gumbo done right, try it at Kajun Kitchen.

My meal progressed with delicious fried shrimp. I was brought a very generous portion of fresh gulf shrimp dipped in Kajun Kitchen's secret seasoned batter and deep fried to a golden brown. They were served with french fries and delicious Kajun potato salad and garlic bread. I had to eat every bite because it was so good. The only drawback was I was too full to enjoy Kajun Kitchen's special dessert of the day, Kajun cheesecake. I'll save some room on my next visit to have the freshly prepared treat.

The Kajun Kitchen is open Monday - Saturday from 7:30am - 3pm and Wednesday - Saturday 7:30am - 9pm. Take out orders are welcome!



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City plans for Cruisin' the Coast - 2003 expects 25,000 cruisers and spectators for annual event

Bay hosts annual event Oct. 9-11

Bay Saint Louis Mayor Eddie Favre and his staff have their plans together to host Cruisin' the Coast Oct. 9, 10, 11.

The Bay is a very popular venue for cruisers and spectators because its location on the water and in the heart of Old Town, offering much more in goods, services and personality than the large parking lot venues of other areas.

As the popularity of the event grows, so do the crowds and this year the city is expanding its official Cruisin' site to accommodate the growth in the number of official cars registered for the event.

"This is the one time of the year we ask for the patience of our residents and businesses and for good humor in hosting this great event."

In hard economic times Cruisin' is vital to the annual success of our downtown businesses and there would not be any way for the city to pay for the published, televised and recorded publicity this city receives because of the event. This year's official brochure featured the Bay's venue prominently and was distributed to the hundreds of thousands of inquiries," said Mayor Favre.

EVENT TIMES AND DATES:

8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, October 9, 10 and 11.

STREET CLOSURES THURSDAY AND

FRIDAY:

- Cruisers will be directed from Highway 90 to Second St. to the service road for registration at North Beach Blvd.

- State St., DeMontluzin and Carroll Ave. will be closed at Beach Blvd. State St. and DeMontluzin Ave. will be opened to residents only for public safety reasons.

- Beach Blvd. will be closed from Ulman Avenue to Court St.

- Main Street will be closed from Beach Blvd. to Necaise Ave.

ALL STREETS INTERSECTING MAIN ST. WILL REMAIN OPEN.

These streets, Second, Toulme and Necaise, will remain open for the convenience of the schools, day care center, government offices and businesses in the festival area.

- Court St. and will be open to two-way traffic from Second St. and Beach Blvd.

SATURDAY STREET CLOSURES:

Cruisers will be directed from Highway 90 to Second St. to the service road for registration at North Beach Blvd.

- State St., DeMontluzin, Carroll and Ulman Ave. will be closed at Beach Blvd. State St. and DeMontluzin Ave. will be opened to residents only for public safety reasons.

- Beach Blvd. will be closed from Highway 90 to Union St.

- Main St. will be closed from Beach Blvd. to Necaise Ave.

ALL STREETS INTERSECTING MAIN ST. WILL

REMAIN OPEN. These streets, Second, Toulme and Necaise will remain open.

- Court St. will be open to two-way traffic from Second St. to the drive-around at the City Hall Annex.

ENTERTAINMENT STAGE/OFFICIAL CRUISIN' VENDORS

- The entertainment stage will be located on the Court House grounds on Main and Cue St.

- Official Cruisin' the Coast vendors of t-shirts; and other memorabilia will be located at the corner of South Beach Blvd. and Main St.

With the addition of Our Lady of the Gulf's parking lot and festival grounds for registered Cruisin' cars and the expansion to the 300 block of Main St. we have planned to accommodate the top number of cars we can expect. We don't want anyone to not have a space in the official festival site and leave unhappy. If necessary we will expand further down Main St. and south Beach Blvd.," continued the Mayor.

The city's Fire Department will add to public safety with the location of Engine 2 at the corner of DeMontluzin and Beach. We will also offer additional first aid support to our guests at this site, in addition to the roving safety vehicle," offered Fire Chief Robert Gavagnie.

Local police, with the assistance of additional officers from Waveland and the Sheriff's



Department, will man each street closure. Foot patrols will deploy from the mobile Special Operations Command Center located at the Court House. The Center will also serve to keep lost children until they can be reunited with parents.

"Because we are expecting even larger crowds this year no bicycles, skateboards, glass containers or open fires will be allowed on the festival site. No animals will be allowed, particularly exotic animals," said Assistant PD Chief Dave Stepro. "We try very hard to not inhibit anyone's fun at the event but public safety is our priority. These few rules cannot be construed as any imposition on our visitors," he continued.

Local meetings for festi-

tival site residents and businesses will be held at City Hall Annex as follows:

September 24th - Residents: 5:30 p.m.

Businesses: 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 25th - Businesses: 5:30 p.m.

Residents: 6:30 p.m.

SPECTATOR PARKING

Spectator parking will be available at the historic Depot located at Union St. and Railroad Ave. Visitors are encouraged to park west of Second St. on streets intersecting Main and asked not to block any driveways.

"This is the hard part - finding parking for our spectators. We just ask that they use good common sense and courtesy and our residents please be patient and helpful," said the mayor.

said Mayor Favre.

"This is a true partnership event and the most important partners are the people of Bay Saint Louis who have consistently made visitors feel welcome and so special that many return several times throughout the year. First Baptist, Main Street Methodist and Our Lady of the Gulf churches have stepped up to be players, offering their parking lots and additional grounds to help us have a very successful event. Old Town businesses cooperate to the fullest.

We appreciate and are grateful to be a Cruisin' venue and thank the organization and our Hancock Tourism folks for helping us continue to host this valuable event," said the mayor.

Special anniversary celebration planned Sept. 20 at Kmart

Friends of the Animal Shelter in Hancock County and the Waveland Animal Shelter are happy to announce the first year anniversary of its off-site pet adoptions.

Steve Howard, manager of the Waveland Kmart was the catalyst for this community service. On Saturday, Sept. 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., a special anniversary celebration is planned, and everyone is encouraged to attend.

FRIENDS will give away a free T-shirt with each adoption and the Waveland Animal Shelter will offer low cost spay and neuter certificates to any shopper who already has a pet.

"The energy level generated during adoptions day is contagious," said Micky Evans, FRIENDS president. "Every time an animal is adopted, it is announced over the PA system and its great fun for everyone."

Off-site adoptions take place every second and

fourth Saturday at the Waveland Kmart. Over the past year an average of five shelter animals have been adopted at each off-site event. Adoption day is also used to raise awareness about the spaying and neutering of pets and providing information to the public about responsible pet ownership. In 2002, four out of five animals brought into the Shelter never found a home and were humanely euthanized.

Every animal adopted from the Waveland Animal Shelter receives a free vet check, worming, flea bath, its first set of shots and a low cost spay and neuter certificate.

Because of the community partnership with K-Mart, many other business partnerships have evolved. Businesses, community groups or individuals interested in teaming up with FRIENDS to co-sponsor an adoption day should contact Micky Evans at 467-7703.

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Once again the front lawn of Trinity Church in Pass Christian will become a pleasant panorama of pumpkin of all shapes and sizes.

Thousands of pumpkins are due to arrive Sunday afternoon on Sept. 28. Trinity's Pumpkin Patch, at the corner of Church and Highway 90, just a few blocks west of the Pass Christian Harbor, will be open for business daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. from Sept. 29 to Oct. 31.

The pumpkins for the 11th annual fundraiser are grown on the Navajo Indian Reservation in New Mexico and range in price from 25 cents to over \$25. Indian Corn and decorative gourds will also be available.

The proceeds will benefit several programs including youth and family projects and activities, Trinity Nursery School, Little Roses Orphanage, local humane shelters, WRANPS, and the local needy.

Everyone is welcome to come browse among the pumpkins and take pictures. If school, scout, or church groups would like to set up a field trip to the patch, call Jeanné Tagge at 228-452-3415 or send e-mail to tagge@goldinc.com.

Most of the groups purchase the \$1 size pumpkins that are located in one area under one of the large oak trees on the site. Just let them know how many children and adults will be in your group and what date and time you would like to shop.

Activity pages, stickers and other goodies will be ready for your group when you arrive. Several games and storybooks are also available to entertain those waiting or finished with shopping. If you would like to bring a picnic lunch, there's plenty of space to spread out a blanket under the trees.

Several photo opportunities will also be available. Bring the children in their costumes for a unique picture amid the pumpkins and the scarecrows.

Adult visitors receive a page of recipes and ideas on how to use pumpkin in a variety of ways.

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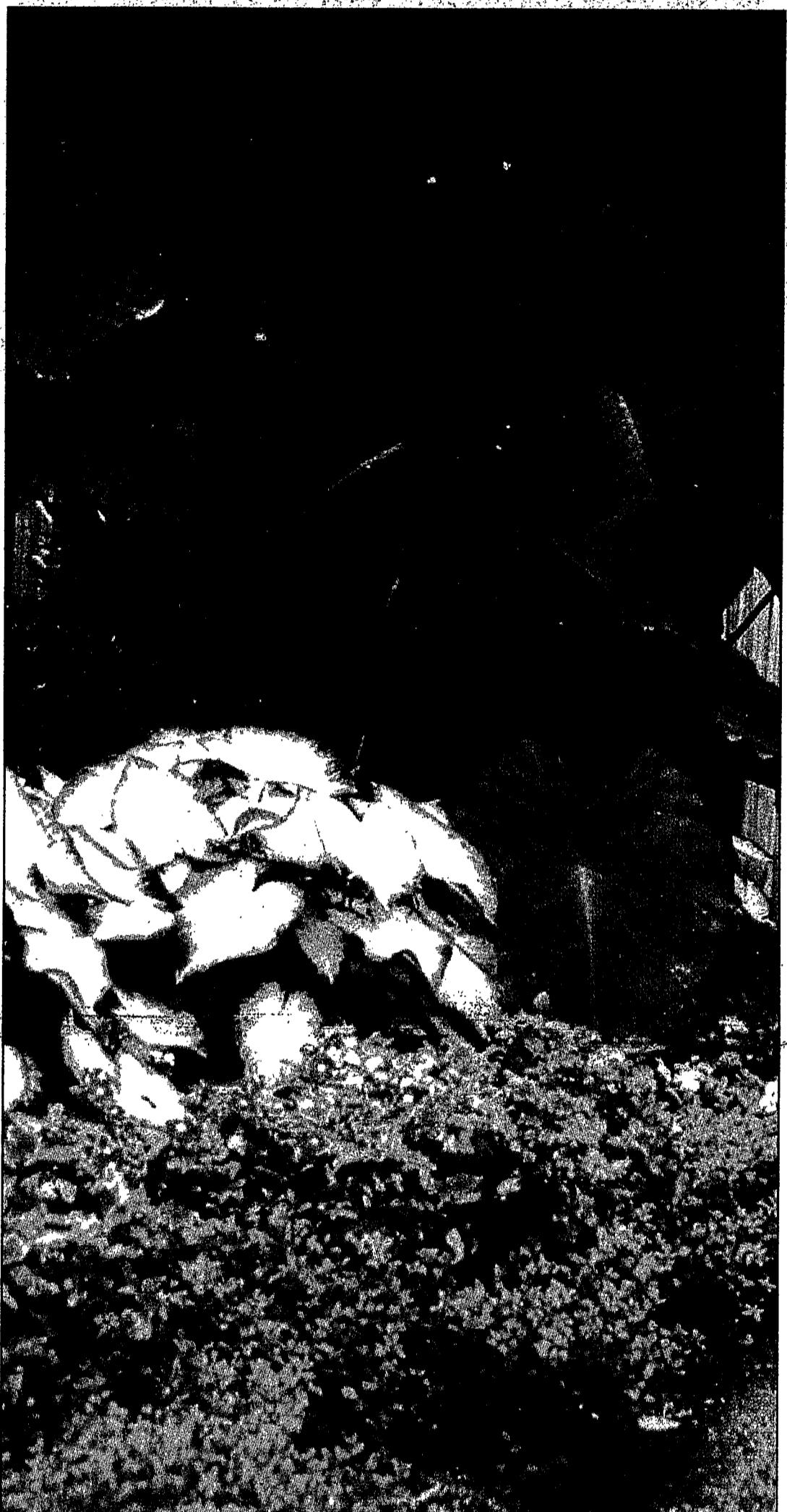
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Black Magic gives gardens tropical flair



With huge, lush foliage, Black Magic elephant ears make an everyday garden look like the West Indies.

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Several landscapes in Kosciusko recently caught my eyes. This Mississippi town is not in the Tropics, but wandering into one back yard made me feel as though I were in the Balata Gardens of French Martinique. The plants that gave me the Caribbean feel were huge Black Magic elephant ears.

Known botanically as Colocasia esculenta, the elephant ear has no equal in transforming a regular garden into a tropical paradise. Every year garden centers are well stocked with giant bulbs of these and other elephant ears that will grow into plants that reach 5 to 6 feet in height and defy logic with their 3-foot leaves on 4-foot-long petioles.

The plants get even larger as the heat and humidity reach levels that send gardeners indoors to the cool comforts of air-conditioning.

It should be obvious that if gardeners in Kosciusko can do it, the rest of us can too. Select a site in morning sun and afternoon shade, although fine specimens are often seen in full sun, provided water is readily available.

The soil should be fertile and well drained for winter survival. If the soil is tight, heavy clay, amend with 3 to 4 inches of organic matter. While preparing the soil incorporate 2 pounds of a slow-release 12-6-6-fertilizer per 100 square feet of bed space. Plant the large tubers deep enough so the entire bulb is 2 inches below the soil surface.

Feed with light monthly applications of fertilizer and maintain moisture, particularly during prolonged dry periods. Remove tattered and unattractive leaves to keep tidy. Tubers can be dug, separated, dried and stored for winter protection, or they can be left in the ground in warmer zones.

In well-drained soil, tubers usually will return with no problem, even in zone 7. Cold weather coupled with excess moisture causes decay.



By Norman Winter
MSU Horticulturist
Central Mississippi
Research & Extension
Center

Grow the Black Magic elephant ear with other plants with coarse-textured foliage like bananas, canna, gingers or, in the case of the Kosciusko garden, caladiums. They also combine well with ornamental grasses and have the ability to work with almost any other garden flower. Use them around water features or to create lush poolside beds.

Of course, you can always find the green types of elephant ears that are mostly sold generically. But do look for specialty varieties that are in demand and bring a premium price.

Antiquorum, also sold as Illustris, features dark green leaves with maroon to purple markings between the veins. Euchlora's dark green leaves are edged in purple, and Fontanesii features dark purple petioles and peduncle.

Black Magic and most other elephant ears originate in tropical Asia and are actually considered a food staple under names like poi or dasheen. I recommend you get your starches from some tastier dish.

On the other hand, you can't beat the magical transformation they will make in your landscape. Give them a try, and you just might have the urge to buy a Hawaiian shirt to enhance your tropical experience.

1953 - Bay St. Louis residents face first re-registration in over 40 years

TEN YEARS AGO

September 12, 1993
S. Hancock County was awarded \$250,000 in public facilities funds to extend sewer lines to homes on the east side of Shoreline Park.

Mike Ladner, president of the board of supervisors said the grant is to connect sewerage to the homes on streets that runoff Logan Street. Sewerage would be connected to about 113 homes.

This would get rid of some of the septic tanks that are presently draining into waters, consequently clearing up the waters, he said.

Library patrons will realize a dream come true with the official ground-breaking for the planned expansion and renovation

of the Bay St. Louis headquarters. The project will double the size of the present building, making a total of approximately 17,000 square feet, according to Prima Planche, library system director.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

September 15, 1983 - Tempers flared at the Hancock County Board of Supervisors' meeting Monday when a vote was taken accepting property located at the intersection of US-90, Drunkwater and Green Meadow Roads for the construction of a new general hospital.

The vote was 3-2 with Bert Courtright, District One supervisor, and A.A. Dolph Kellar, board president and District Two supervisor, voting against

it. The 17.22 acres will be purchased for \$361,000 and is presently owned by Norman Benigno.

The land has elevations ranging from 18 to 20 feet. It is in an area earmarked for extension of sewerage services under a Farmers Home Administration loan to Bay St. Louis.

Phil Langston, Hancock General Hospital administrator, said, "We are planning on raising the money for the hospital by having revenue bonds issued which would be sold to investors through a bank. The hospital would pay for the financing through its own ability to produce revenue."

FOURTY YEARS AGO
September 12, 1963

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SPORTS

Sports shorts

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws' cross country team placed fourth overall out of 25 teams at the USM invitational meet on Friday, in Hattiesburg.

SSC's Kyle Lewis was the overall winner with a time of 16:21 over the 3.1 mile course. Lewis' time was just :01 second off the school record time.

On September 20th, the Rocks will travel to New Orleans to compete in the Holy Cross Invitational.

On September 10th, the SSC/OLA swim team met the Gulfport Admirals in the pool. The Rocks defeated the Admirals 101-48 while OLA tied the Lady Admirals 83-83.

St. Stanislaus took first place in all three relays and Christian Walter led the Rocks with 14.5 points. He placed first in both the 50-yard freestyle and the 100-yard breaststroke. SSC swept the 100-yard freestyle with Ben Rader taking first followed by Sherman Necaise and Schaeffer Dane tying for second in a dead heat.

The Rocks qualified seven swimmers for the state meet. Dane qualified in the 100-yard freestyle. TJ Koger made the cut in the 200-yard individual

medley and the 100-yard butterfly. Sherman Necaise qualified in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard freestyle. Matt Proudfit made it in the 200-yard and 500-yard freestyle. Ben Rader qualified in the 200-yard and 100-yard freestyle. Josh Schultz qualified in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard butterfly. Christian Walter made the cut in both his races.

The OLA Crescents were led by Alyssa Walter with 16 points. She won both the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard butterfly. Laura Kergosien won the 50-yard freestyle.

OLA also qualified seven swimmers for the state meet. Besides Kergosien and Walter, Madeline Loftus qualified in the 200-yard freestyle.

Whitney Church made the cut in the 100-yard breaststroke while Olivia Campbell qualified in the 50-yard freestyle. Elissa Kergosien qualified in the 200-yard individual medley and the 100-yard backstroke. Amy Lamb qualified in the 100-yard backstroke.

The SSC/OLA swim team will compete against the Ocean Springs Greyhounds at the YMCA on Thursday, September 18.



Fillingame scores

Pearl River Community College Katie Fillingame (7) of Bay High takes a swipe at the ball against Mississippi Delta midfielder Jessica Corbett in the Lady Wildcats' 5-1 intra-division soccer match up with the Lady Trojans recently in Poplarville. Fillingame, a sophomore midfielder, has scored two goals in PRCC's five games thus far into the 2003 season. The Wildcats took a 5-0 shutout over the Trojans in the nightcap with both Pearl River squads improving to 4-1 overall. All told, the defending MACJC South Division champion PRCC women have outscored their competition 29-6 through five games, while the Wildcats boast a 28-5 point margin over their five foes. (PRCC photo by Mitch Deaver)

PRCC wins

Pearl River Community College's women's and men's soccer teams extended their impressive win streaks to seven here Saturday to open their MACJC South Division schedules, as the Lady Wildcats took a 5-1 victory over Jones, while the Wildcats trimmed the Bobcats 5-2.

Both PRCC squads improved to 7-1 overall, while JCJC's women dropped to 1-2-1 and its men evened their overall record at 3-3.

In the women's game, Pearl River midfielder Melinda Hernson of Poplarville High lit up the scoreboard early when she boomed one home with 38:00 left in the first half, then sweeper Brooke Conover of Harrison Central scored impressive back-to-back goals over a two-minute span both 30 yards to put the Lady Wildcats up 3-0 with just over 14 minutes left in the half. Gina Neely of George County made it 4-0 with another goal to end the first-half scoring with just over two minutes left.

All-MACJC, All-Region

XXIII forward Ashley Chrisman of Our Lady Academy scored PRCC's final goal midway in the second half, while Jones midfielder Ashley Hughes prevented the shutout with a goal at the 8:44 mark.

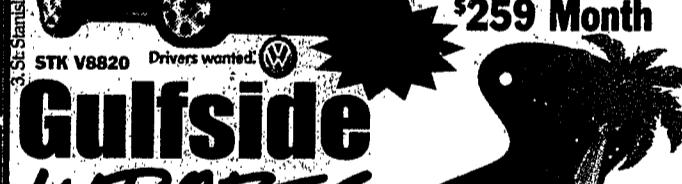
In men's action, it took Pearl River most of the first half to get on track, but blew it open with three unanswered goals over a seven-minute span.

Midfielder Drew Gallant of Forrest County AHS made it 1-0 at the 18:10 mark, then stopper Stephen Kulikowski of St. Stanislaus scored his first of two goals with 15:25 remaining in his first action since injuring his leg in the Kai Thrash Tournament two weeks ago.

Forward Chris St. John of Oak Grove put PRCC up 3-0 with 11:21 left, then Jones forward Ivan Lopez ended the first-half scoring with a goal with 1:45 left.

Gallant's goal with 29:30 left made it 4-2, then Bobcat fullback Josh Satcher scored minutes later.

Kulikowski ended the scoring with 12:35 left.

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SPORTS

Pass gains first win of season; Rayborn & Woods tabbed for players of the week

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Hancock Hawks and Pass Christian Pirates both recorded wins last Friday, September 12th, while SSC suffered defeat at the foot of a last second field goal. The Tigers of Bay High were handed their first loss of the season in a one-sided match.

The Hancock Hawks (2-1) squeaked by the previously undefeated Ocean Springs Greyhounds (2-1) at "The Nest" for a thrilling 19-18 homecoming win.

Hancock opened the scoring on their first play from scrimmage. Robert Domke took the pitch from Jeremy Thomas and connected with Steven Dauenhauer for a 30-yard scoring strike. Ocean Springs went to work on their own scoring drive with a 66-yard touchdown reception by Josh Purvines. The two-point conversion missed leaving the score at 7-6.

A blocked punt by the Greyhounds was recovered in the endzone to give Ocean Springs a 12-7 lead. David Brown and the Hawks took the lead back with about five minutes remaining in the half on his 16-yard run to make the score 13-12.

A break for the Greyhounds gave them the lead going into halftime when Ocean Springs blocked another Hancock

punt at the Hawk six yard-line. With :28 left before halftime, the Greyhounds scored giving them the 18-13 lead at halftime.

Eddie Bledsoe gave the Hawks the lead for good when he scored from two yards out with just under 8 minutes left in the game. The Greyhounds had a few chances late in the game but the Hawks defense stiffened and shut them out of the endzone. Matt Rayborn led the defensive unit with 10 total tackles including two sacks and five tackles for losses. Eddie Bledsoe led the ground attack with a rushing total of 57 yards.

The Hawks will lock horns with the Gulfport Admirals on Friday night at Milner Stadium in Gulfport. Game time is 7:30pm.

The Pass Christian Pirates (1-2) got a "W" in the column with a 24-14 victory over the St. John Eagles (0-3) in Gulfport. Pass High lit the board up first with a 40-yard field goal by Jonathan Willis. Later in the first quarter, Chuckie Woods scored on a 14-yard run to make the score 10-0.

Freshman quarterback Ryan Davis connected with Aaron Saucier on a 53-yard touchdown play to increase the Pirate lead to 17-0 with about two minutes before halftime.

St. John roared back late in the third quarter and cut

the lead to 17-14. However, Pass High rode the back of Chuckie Woods as he scored his second touchdown of the game from 21 yards out to make the final score.

The Pirates open their district schedule when they entertain the Bay High Tigers on Friday night. Game time is set for 7:30pm.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (1-2) narrowly missed a victory losing to the undefeated Long Beach Bearcats (3-0) 17-15 on a last second field goal 'in between the walls' on Friday night.

The Rocks had two crucial turnovers in the first half and missed a tackle that led to the Bearcats' 14 points at halftime. SSC put their first points on the board off the leg of Michael Kivian who connected on a 30-yard field goal. With :04 left on the clock before halftime, SSC quarterback Tim Kulikowski found his favorite target in Michael Cure for a 17-yard touchdown pass. The score made the score 14-9 at halftime.

The Bearcats were shut out of the endzone in the second half until the very end. The SSC defense yielded on 19 yards rushing all night but surrendered 287 yards passing to Pat Farrell and his corps of wide receivers led by Clayton Stevens. He had 6 catches for 177 yards and two scores including a 74-yard strike.

The Rocks gained the lead in the second half behind two field goals from Michael Kivian that covered 34 and 19 yards.

Penalties cost the Rocks dearly in the second half which kept the Bearcats alive and in scoring position. Both teams suffered when the yellow hankies flew. Long Beach was tagged for 110 yards on 10 flags while SSC ad 77 yards marked off on ten punts.

Kulikowski threw for 199 yards on 15-34 passes and one score. Michael Cure had seven receptions for 103 yards. Lee Klein led the defensive attack with 11 total hits.

The Rocks hit the road to take on the Ocean Springs Greyhounds on Friday night. Kickoff is slated for 7:30pm.

The Bay High Tigers (2-1) were dominated by the

Pearl River Central Blue Devils' (3-0) running game in a 59-31 loss in Carriere on last Friday evening.

There were three lead changes all in the first quarter. Lorenzo Lewis took a Zack Ferry pass 70 yards for the game's first score. Kyle Moran made the score 10-7 with a 30-yard field goal following a 68-yard kickoff return by Lewis.

Moran picked off a Blue Devil pass and returned it 15 yards for a touchdown to make the score 17-14.

The Blue Devils surged ahead to take a 46-17 lead before the Tigers struck paydirt.

Lewis returned another kickoff for 40 yards and capped a short drive with a 14-yard touchdown reception from Ferry. The same combination hooked up again in the fourth quarter for the Tigers' final score.

The pass-and-catch

covered 41 yards. Lewis finished the night with over 170 yards of total offense.

The Tigers will open their district schedule with a game just across the Bay Bridge against the Pass Christian Pirates on Friday, September 19. Kickoff is set for 7:30pm.

The Offensive Player of the Week for week three is Pass Christian's Chuckie Woods who scored two touchdowns on runs of 21 and 14 yards in the Pirates' 24-14 win over St. John.

The Defensive Player of the Week for week three is Hancock's Matt Rayborn who tallied 10 total tackles including two quarterback sacks and five tackles for loss in the Hawks' 19-18 homecoming thriller over Ocean Springs.

See you at the game!

Bay wins volleyball battle royale on the court against Crescents

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Bay High Lady Tigers and the Our Lady Academy Crescents battled in one of the most competitive volleyball games along the Coast this season. The Lady Tigers and the Crescents fought a battle of wills, stamina and athleticism. At the end of the dramatic match, it was the Lady Tigers who owned the final point and the 2-1 win.

Lindsey Trotter served the final six points in game 3 which saw the Crescents hold a 13-9 advantage.

Bay High head coach Lis Bosarge stated, "It was a tremendous game by both teams. We had great involvement by the whole team. It was a great team effort. The crowd for both schools was very involved. It was a mixture of students, parents and faculty cheering on their school. I am very proud of how our team stayed in the game and didn't quit. It was an outstanding effort."

The game saw big hits from Bay High's Tori Lansaw and Kendra Reed and OLA's Lauren Renz to

great placements by OLA's Rachel Cranford, Lansaw and Reed combined for 9 kills while Renz tallied 13 kills. Cranford dished out 20 assists and had 9 points.

Trotter led Bay High with 13 points. OLA was paced by Cranford with 9 points followed by Rachel Cuevas with 8 points and 7 kills. Amanda Meyers added 7 points.

The Crescents won the first game 15-6 behind strong placement from Kaylee Schmitt and Lauren Renz.

The Lady Tigers battled back in the second game for the 15-9 win on some strong kills by Reed and Lansaw. The Lady Tigers were up as much as 10-1 at one point before OLA battled back. The crowd from both schools made themselves heard during the second game.

The third game had OLA take a 6-0 lead and then a 13-9 advantage before Bay High ripped off the final six points for the win.

OLA head coach Mike Meyers commented, "It was a great game. Bay High deserves the credit for hanging in and coming back for the win. They are a very athletic team and it is hard to get a ball down and win a point. The ball always comes back."

This was the first district game for both teams. The district is comprised of Bay High, OLA, Pass High and Mercy Cross. The top two teams in the division advance to the state playoffs. OLA is the defending state champion.

The Lady Tigers will travel to Pass Christian tonight while the Crescents host Mercy Cross.



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Pass Christian Library celebrates 30 years of service

Sunday afternoon, Sept. 14, the Pass Christian Library hosted a celebratory reception for guests and library supporters.

The library staff and Friends of the Library members served cake, homemade goodies and punch to over seventy attendees in commemoration of thirty years of library service to Pass Christian and the surrounding community.

On display during the reception were guest books with signatures of library supporters from past celebrations. The library building was dedicated in 1973, and anniversary parties were held in 1983 and 1998. Also available for viewing was a sample of the new carpet that will be installed throughout the building in January 2004. This marks the closing of the "New Carpet Fundraising Campaign" that was launched in January 2003.

Special recognition was given to the campaign contributors:

County Supervisor Marlin Ladner and the Harrison County Board of Supervisors, The



Chipper McDermott, Alderman-at-Large; Gordon Burton, chair of the Harrison County Library System Board of Trustees; Prima Plauché, president of the Mississippi Library Association; Pass Christian Library staff — Sally James, children's librarian; Sheila Peters, head librarian; Jan Delaune, circulation clerk; Jerry Seller, circulation manager.

Ralph Avrill Powers Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Shockley, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fenton.

Sally James, children's librarian, was presented with a plaque in recogni-

tion of her 20 years of service. "Miss Sally" is well known to the children of Pass Christian, and many return from college to drop in to say hello to the librarian who nur-

tured them with her story hours throughout their childhood. During her years as children's librarian, James has also served as interim head librarian five times.

Local high school student could win a trip to Washington, D.C. and a \$25,000 scholarship

Commander Gene Schoegel of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post No. 3253, announced the kick-off of this year's VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary "Voice of Democracy Scholarship Competition."

High school students in this area have the opportunity to compete in the 57th annual audio essay competition and win thousands of dollars in scholarships, a trip to Washington, D.C., as well as dozens of other awards.

Students begin by competing at the local Post level. Post winners advance to District. District winners compete in the state competition. The state winner will enjoy a four-day tour of

Washington, D.C. along with the winners from every state, the Pacific Areas, Latin America/Caribbean and Europe.

During the 57 years that the Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Ladies Auxiliary have been involved with Voice of Democracy, more than seven million high school students have participated.

Students compete by writing and then recording a three-to-five minute audio/essay expressing their views of this year's patriotic theme "My Commitment to America's Future." All state winners receive at least a \$1,000 National Scholarship... but any one of them could win the \$25,000 first place

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The deadline date for stu-

dent entry is Nov. 1.

Interested students and teachers should contact the Voice of Democracy Post Chairman Randolph Bourgeois at 467-7792 or Ladies Auxiliary Chairman Cindy Schoonmaker, 469-0579.

Time

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The mushrooming enrollment at Gulfview Elementary School at Lakeshore may require re-opening of the old Clermont Harbor School next January for the primary grades as well as providing additional teachers, the county board of education was told at its meeting Saturday.

Beat 5 Trustees Ed P. Orte said he believed

Gulfview Principal Oren Seal could handle the booming enrollment this fall by holding classes in the gymnasium but the use of the Clermont Harbor school, now used as the Clermont-Lakeshore Youth Center, seemed eminent after the first of the year. He urged the board to think in terms of a larger elementary school there and eventually a high school.

Construction is getting underway on a couple of the big jobs at Mississippi Test Operations this week

as invitations to bid are being prepared for October openings on three other major projects for the NASA test site. Work is already in progress on the huge laboratory and engineers building which will serve as MTO headquarters, according to J.K. Glennon, press officer for the Corps of Engineers.

FIFTY YEARS AGO
September 11, 1953 - Voters of Bay St. Louis will be faced with a new registration around October 1, the commission council announced this week. The registration will be the first in the city in approximately 40 years, Commissioner Sylvan J. Ladner said. Ladner noted that some women voters who now have grandchildren are still listed under their maiden names.

— Bay St. Louis business jumped 28% in July, according to date collected

from five Gulf Coast cities by the School of Business and Industry at Mississippi State College.

— Emmett S. Demoran, proprietor of Demoran's Appliance Store, won a ten day trip to New York for himself and his wife from the Bendix Corporation in a sales contest.

Demoran, who competed in the Class B division of the sales contest, outsold dealers in both Louisiana and Mississippi to win the contest. All expenses for the trip will be paid for by Bendix. The contest involved the sales of Bendix Duramat washers.

SIXTY YEARS AGO
September 17, 1943 - Randolph Bourgeois re-appointed State Game Warden. Hon. William H. Starr, member of the State Game Commission of Mississippi who represents the Southern District, has been making periodic visits

to Hancock County in the interest of the Game and Fish Commission Work during the time that we have not had a full time warden in the county.

Judge Starr recommended the re-appointment of Randolph Bourgeois as Game Warden, who had resigned when he entered the race for Tax Assessor. Bourgeois was called to Jackson Tuesday to receive his commission and to be sworn in as full time Game Warden in Hancock County.

— Through the Waveland Civic League it has been arranged for the delivery of ice twice a week by David Garrett. Anyone wishing such service can obtain it by leaving name and address at Chadwick's Trading Post or Waveland Drug Store. If sufficient orders are obtained it may be possible to arrange for delivery three times a week.

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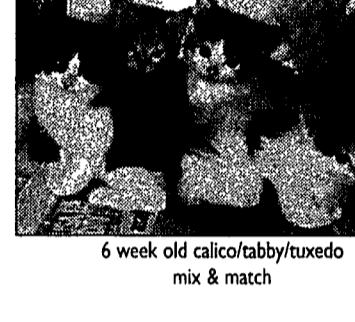
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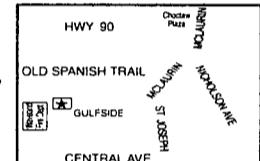
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Coast Episcopal students lend a hand at Ozanam Inn

Students recently traveled to New Orleans to volunteer their time at Ozanam Inn, a homeless shelter.

Through the eyes of a middle school student, Kyle Killeen writes of her experience at Ozanam Inn.

OZANAM INN BY KYLE KILLEEN

We walk past the line of people outside; trying not to make our subtle stares seem hostile and disgusted. The tips of mouths curl upward in faint and weak smiles. Images now burned in our minds, we walk to the cafeteria.

People are scattered at the tables, talking and laughing. Words of encouragement are scribbled on paper and taped to the walls. "If you see a hill, climb it. Don't think waiting will make it smaller." Fly traps are hung from the lights hoping to catch the unwanted insects.

Two amiable men approach us with large smiles and a, "How y'all doin'?" They break us into two groups, no particular



Pictured above, left: Kyle Killeen of Pass Christian; right: Taylor Cheek of Waveland; below left: Collin Cheek of Waveland; below right: Stephen Wittmann of Pass Christian

cantaloupes. We quickly begin to ransack the shelves so that we can sort them into groups. Two hours and a thousand cans later, we are down to about six people, but we finish the job.

Our patience has reached the end of the rope as we wearily walk back to the cafeteria. We scatter ourselves amongst the tables, where we mix and mingle with residents and volunteers.

The normal questions of, "What's your name? Where are you from?" make the air buzz. We munch on our bag lunches in the company of our new acquaintances.

"Do you live here?" "No, I'm a volunteer, but I use to live here."

The conversation at my section of the table stops as the man got up. Our minds marvel at the fact that this man felt so compelled to return to help people that are in the same situation he was in at some point.

We are led on an informative tour of the building by Clarence Adams, the manager. He tells us about each room's function, and also the daily routine. We say our good-byes and thank-you's and head out. We walk around the corner to see some of the same tired faces waiting for the two o'clock lunch along with some new arrivals. We wave, hoping to have our

friendly gestures returned. Some succeed. We pile into our cars for the ride home. Looking out the window as we drive down Camp St., we see even more people walking fast hoping to make the two o'clock lunch so they won't be hungry tonight.

I'm not talking about some bed and breakfast or hotel or anything. I'm talking about our visit to the Ozanam Inn homeless shelter in New Orleans, where we, the students of

Coast Episcopal Middle School, volunteered one day. We did it not only for school, or to make ourselves look good, we did it because we care.

We did it for ourselves, our minds, our souls, our lives, our being, and our consciences. It was suppose to touch our hearts. And my trip to Ozanam Inn did just that.

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Garfield receives honor

Ashley Nicole Garfield from Kiln and a student at Hancock High School has recently been selected for membership in The National Society of High School Scholars.

The society invites only those students who have superior academic achievement and are among the top scholars in the nation. The announcement was made by NSHSS Honorary Chair Claes Nobel, a senior member of the Nobel Prize Family.

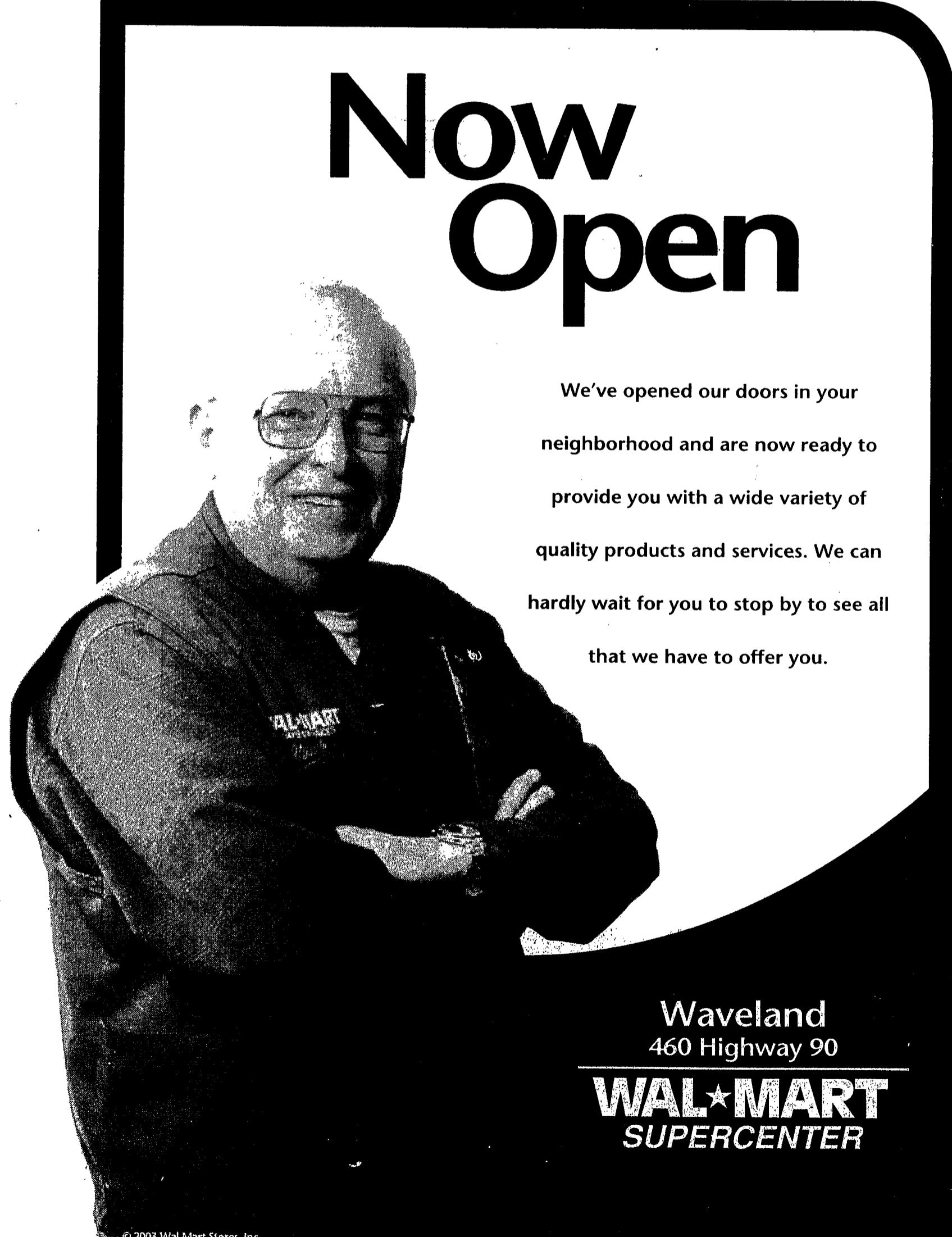
"I congratulate Ashley on this outstanding achievement and applaud the commitment to academic excellence," said Mr. Nobel. "The hard work and success of these exceptional young people will ensure a future generation dedicated to their communities and world betterment."

The National Society of High School Scholars was founded to recognize outstanding academic performance among high school students. Membership is by invitation only and includes valuable benefits for members such as scholarships, networking, events, publications, and other unique opportunities. As members prepare for college, the Society encourages them to continue to strive for excellence in all their future endeavors.

For details, visit the organization's website at www.nshss.org or contact Ashley @ Ashley3863@Juno.com.

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1995 FORD WINDSTAR in great condition, Michelin tires, interior & exterior great. A must see. Asking \$2,500. Call 228-466-4419.

'94 NISSAN P/U, WHITE, 4 CYL, 5 speed, a/c, cd, 117K, great vehicle. \$3800. 463-1463 or 332-1979.

98 FORD LARIAT, X-CAB, 5.4 V-8, leather, sharp, \$9995, free warranty. Due to our record sales we need your trade-ins. Jimmy Stockstill Motors, 1-800-798-9133.

FORD F-100, RUNS, \$500 FIRM. 228-466-4394 or 228-216-4394.

143 Real Estate Services

"All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation, or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation, or discrimination.

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147 Apartments For Rent

1 BEDROOM COMPLETELY FURNISHED, utilities and cable. 467-8245.

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APARTMENT FOR RENT: \$425/mo. plus deposit, includes electricity. Call 985-960-3406 or email jvtlur@acninc.net

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NEW CONST-2/BR WASHER/dryer, dishwasher, ref., range included. Quiet neighborhood in county. \$600/mo., \$600/dep. 467-5601.

ONE BEDROOM, LARGE upstairs apt. Carpeted, has stove, refrigerator & dishwasher. Located above 112 Court Street, Apt. D, Bay St. Louis, Ms. No lease \$395 plus \$300 deposit. 467-4613 or 467-5662.

Walk on the Nature Trail to the lake in Diamondhead from this special home. Unique home perfect for artist or young couple. 2 bed/2 bath, approx. 1,700 sq. ft., Ceramic/berber flooring, features downstairs master and upstairs studio and bedroom. Sits on 2 lots. \$115,000 ML#146118

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

11:00 to 1:00 - 1436 Ontario Street, Waveland, MS Great Starter Home on a Deep Lot! This one features 3 bed/2 bath with approx. 1,800 sq. of living area. Only \$58,500 ML#143867

2:00 to 4:00 - 11043 Etna Street, Bay St. Louis, MS Waterfront Weekend Retreat! Come see this 2 bed/1 bath home with a wrap-around-deck, dock and a nice shaded lot located close to Bayou LeCroix on a quiet waterway. \$69,000 ML#145692

148 Mobile Homes For Rent

2 BEDROOM TRAILER FOR RENT, Kiln area, 255-5529.

2-BEDROOM, SECTION 8 Welcome, nice country atmosphere, \$200/dep., \$380/mo. 255-7480.

2-BR. FURNISHED, UTILITIES paid. Laundry room. Cable available. Weekly/monthly. Pet free! Pearlington, Ms. 228-533-7001.

NEW 2-BEDROOM TRAILER for rent, Kiln area, \$500/mo., \$100/dep., water included, fenced yard. 255-7107, 263-4079.

RENOVATED, 3-BR MOBILE HOME. Kitchen furnished, large porch, pet-free. \$400/month, \$400/dep. 228-467-1950.

SMALL SCOTTY TRAILER FOR RENT in Lakeshore with A/C, bath & shower. \$250 per month. Call (228)263-7733.

515 GARDEN LANE, 2BR/2BA, completely furnished. Includes w/dishes, linens, 3-tv's, freshly painted interior, new carpet. Large back yard. Picket fence front yard. 1/2 block to the beach, tenant pays all utilities. Excellent opportunity for winter rental or short term rental. Three months minimum lease. Strict rental application is required. Located 131 St. Charles St., BSL. \$875.00 per month with \$800.00 deposit. 467-4613.

3BR/2BA, RENOVATED, BENTON St. (Bay Side Park) \$695/mo. Includes water, garbage, sewage, \$300/dep., references. 467-8060 or 467-0908 Joanne.

515 GARDEN LANE, 2BR/2BA, completely furnished. Includes 3BR. Lots of room, large fenced yard, \$850/month plus deposit. 1-228-216-5750.

634 EDNA, 3BR/2BA, \$850. Call Chari @ McIntyre Rapp Real Estate 467-3777.

815 AMAR ST. 2 BEDROOMS, 1 bath, central heat/air, \$400/dep., \$525/month. 903 Rue De La Salle 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, central heat/air, \$450/dep., \$600 per month. Phone 467-5348.

1995 16X80 3BR/2BA, GARDEN tub, covered front porch, large back deck, stove & central air. Good condition. \$18,000 228-332-0937 leave message.

FOR SALE OR RENT: EXCELLENT 16X80 LEGEND mobile home: special order, perfect shape, deck, stairs, power pole, tires, axle, appliances, washer/dryer, dishwasher. Only \$16,000. 864-5401.

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LOVELY 3BR/2BA TRAILER HOME. Porches, nice yard, asking \$62,500. Jez Real Estate 467-7142.

150 Unfurn. Houses Rent

1 BEDROOM COTTAGE, 1 BLOCK from beach. \$475/mo. plus deposit. Credit approval. Call owner/agent, 493-2177.

1/2 MILE FROM BEACH OFF Lakeshore Rd. Small 2BR/1Ba, living room, large den, fenced back yard, central a/c. Annual lease, \$500/mo. plus deposit, pet free. 601-798-5720.

1BR/1BA COTTAGE: Utilities paid, pet free, stove & ref., references required. Also camper space monthly for rent. 463-9670.

2 BEDROOM HOUSE CENTRAL A/C, pet free, \$500/mo., \$500/dep. 1 yr. lease. Kelvin J. Schulz, 467-6501.

213 DEMONTLUZIN: - CHARMING 2BR/2Ba, newly renovated. Hardwood floors & fenced yard. Central a/c & heat, all appliances. Old Town walk to beach & shops. \$850/mo. \$800/dep. 228-467-1234.

213 VACATION LANE, 2BR/1Ba Large living-dining area plus large Florida room. Newly painted, new ceramic tile in bedrooms. Pet OK. \$625/mo. plus deposit. 212-216-5269.

245B CITIZEN ST. 2 BLOCKS from beach. Excellent 2BR/2Ba, central air/heat, fenced yard, pet free. \$590/Mo. 985-863-3357.

3 BDR/2 BATH HOME ON 5 acres Hi ceilings, close to town. Pet-free. \$650/month. Key Properties. 467-6000.

3BR/1BA, PASS CHRISTIAN ISLES \$550/month. Please call 504-899-7718.

3BR/2-FULL BATHS, fenced yard, close to beach, all electric, pet/smoke free. \$750/month, \$750/dep. (352)394-4782.

3BR/2BA HOME ON THE WATER with dock and boat lift \$850.00/mo. 2BR/2Ba with large screened in porch on the water \$650.00/mo. Studio apartment overlooking canal right off Jourdan River. Wonderful deck for entertaining \$425.00/mo. Call Coast & County Rentals for details. 467-9111.

WALK TO BEACH,

Public Notices

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on June 20, 2000, Donnie Marie Diket and Melody Jane Diket, his wife, executed a deed of trust to Greg Fontenot, trustee, for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., which deed of trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book #1, page 323 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., the holder of said deed of trust and the note secured thereby, submitted a Deed of Trust to the heirs, authorized by the testator thereof, by instrument dated October 18, 2001 and recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 767 at Page 66; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the amount of said debt, to wit, \$10,000.00, the same is declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, and the legal holder of said indebtedness, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and other property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, Substituted Trustee's fees and expense of sale;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John C. Underwood, Jr., Substituted Trustee, do sell and convey on the 29th day of September, 2003, offer for sale at public outcry for cash to the highest bidder, and sell within legal hours (beginning between the hours of 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M.) at the Main from door of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, the following debt, to wit, the land in the County of Hancock, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

Lots 9, 10 and 11, Square 135, Shoreline Park Subdivision, Unit No. 7, Addition NO. 3, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per plan of said subdivision on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

I WILL CONVEY only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this the 21st day of August, 2003.

John C. Underwood, Jr.
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
Contract # 03050613

09/04; 09/18; 09/25/03

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
SETLEMENT FUNDING, L.L.C. d/b/a
PEACHTREE SETLEMENT FUNDING, As
Seller/Servicer for PEACHTREE FINANCIAL
COMPANY, L.L.C. Plaintiff

VS.
ROOSEVELT CARSON and
STATE FARM FIRE AND
CASUALTY COMPANY Defendants

DOCKET NO. 03-0177
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: Roosevelt Carson

You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Peachtree Settlement Funding, Plaintiff, seeking actual and compensatory damages of \$9,000.00, together with penalty interest thereon at the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum from the date of default together with its attorney's fees and costs incurred in the collection of this obligation pursuant to the Peachtree Agreement. Defendants other than you in this action are State Farm Fire and Casualty Company.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Plaintiff complaint, to wit, in this action to RUSHING, GUIKE, PLLC, 125 Main Street, Suite 100, Jackson, MS, 39201, whose post office address is P.O. Box 1925, Biloxi, MS 39533-1925, and whose street address is 683 Water Street, Biloxi, MS 39530.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 11TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2003, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED, MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

WITNESS my signature and official seal the 9 day of September, A.D. 2003
(SEAL)

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
GULF PINES, INC. PLAINTIFF
VS.
ALICE LUCAS
ROBERT E. KERNS
CONNIE E. KERNS, ANY AND
ALL OTHER PERSONS DEFENDANT
CIVIL ACTION NO. 03-720
PUBLICATION SUMMONS

TO: 11 LOWELL, AKA ALICE LUCAS
ROBERT E. KERNS AND CONNIE E. KERNS,
who is believed to be non-resident of the
State of Mississippi, whose last known address,
both post office and street addresses was #8
Vivian Court, New Orleans, LA 70114, but whose
present address, are unknown after diligent search
and inquiry, and if dead, the name of the described
vessel or interest in the described
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Entertainment

Printmakers display work today at Depot

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Seven local printmakers will hold a showing of their work today from 5 to 7 p.m. upstairs at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

The show is sponsored by the Turquoise Turtle and the city of Bay St. Louis and will feature artists from a wide variety of backgrounds from painters to graphic artists who were drawn to the printmaking because of the new non-toxic methods used at Gwen Impson's studio classes.

Techniques of collagraph, linocut, drypoint, and monotype will be on display featuring a variety of subjects from local flora and fauna to Egyptian themes to landscapes.

Printmaking, says one of the artists, employee's all art forms in its process. Part of the fun is that you never know for sure what your

results will be until you lift up the plate and look underneath.

The artists, John and Barbara Boos, Awana Black, Arlene Smith, Carolyn Busenlener, Franya Etchridge, and Dorothy McLemore come from varied backgrounds but hold one thing in common, the desire to exercise their creative sides.

The Boos come from technical backgrounds, Barbara working for years as a graphic artist and John with a career background as a draftsman and technician. After retirement the two were searching for a way to exercise their creative sides and found it at church when a friend of theirs suggested the arts.

The Boos called several studios and finally got an answer at Impson's print studio last year. Classes led to the couple turning a room in their home into their own working print studio, employing the non-toxic

methods they learned.

McLemore had a strong background in oil painting and still shows her works at the Serenity Gallery, but she was seeking an art form which used less toxic chemicals where she could express her expertise in creating landscapes and still life's.

She was surprised to learn of the new methods of printmaking, an art form that in the past was created by the use of very toxic chemicals, even requiring the use of respirators.

Currently she is contemplating a series on older homes in the area, inspired by a print she made of a friend's home. She is also working on a delicate series depicting orchids, but says she now feels compelled to create on a larger scale.

McLemore says that the bottom line for new printmaking techniques is that it is fun and allows the artist to draw on talents they already have, whether

it be painting, drawing, or other. She loves the contrast to painting, whose results are very predictable, she says.

Smith too loves what she calls the surprise of printmaking, and using the various techniques, which build on one another. She comes from a background of printmaking, which she was forced to give up because of the toxicity of the methods. With the new methods she has been able to return to her most loved art form, printmaking.

You no longer have to suffer for your art, said Impson, who made the decision to open a non-toxic studio after moving to the area several years ago.

The new processes were created by a couple who wanted to be able to bring their children into their studio environment. A demonstration of techniques and a display of tools will also be part of the show tonight. Refreshments will be served.

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'A Coupla White Chicks' ends Sept. 20 at Cabaret



Celene Mielcarek, left, and Bonnie Pardo in a scene from Court St. Cabaret's production of "A Coupla White Chicks Sitting Around Talking" through Sept. 20.

Court St. Cabaret will present "A Coupla White Chicks Sitting Around Talking" on Fridays and Saturdays through Sept. 20.

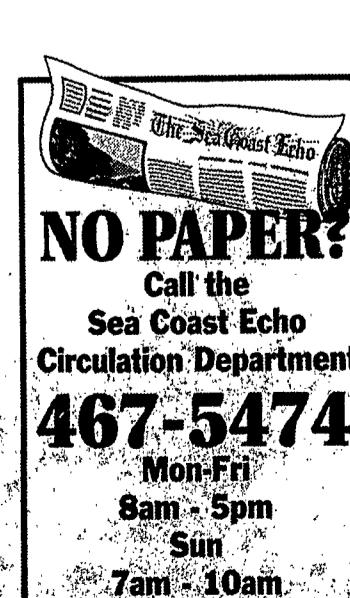
Colleen Abadie will direct this comedy by John Ford Noonan starring local performers Bonnie Pardo and Celene Mielcarek.

Pardo has starred in Minacapelli's Dinner Theater in Slidell and was nominated for a Ginny Award for best actress as Kate in "Brighton Beach Memoirs" at Slidell Little Theater.

Mielcarek has appeared in numerous shows and recently moved to Bay St. Louis. She recently moved to Bay St. Louis from Chicago and was recently married.

Seating for dinner begins at 6 p.m. with show time at 8 on Fridays and Saturdays.

For dinner and the show, tickets are \$30 per person.



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